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TERRIFIC AIR BATTLE RAGES

Wave On Wave Of Raiders Attack

WAVE AFTER WAVE of enemy machines approached the south-west coast yesterday and for two hours there was the noise of a terrific battle in the sky. The result of the action is at present unknown.

At one point a formation of 20 bombers were forced to change their course by a terrific barrage of anti-aircraft shells.

A second formation was also driven away and escorting fighters after unsuccessfully attacking the balloon barrage, were chased out to sea by British fighters.

Dive bombers attacked a south-east coast aerodrome; but it is believed caused only slight damage before being driven away.—Reuter.

JITTERS IN UNITED STATES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

American Government officials have never been so "jittery" since the days of the World War as they are to-day over the s.s. American Legion, now on its way from Petsamo, Finland, to New York with a full passenger list of American evacuees.

The German Government has twice warned the United States that it cannot be held responsible for the ship's safety. The U.S. State Department has replied that it will hold Germany to the previous assurances of safety given by all the belligerents.

The German Embassy in Washington called a special press conference on Monday to declare that the United States must "bear the full responsibility for any harm that may befall the ship."

Berlin, according to the Embassy, was not notified of the ship's departure until it had already sailed, although it had asked for one day's notice so that German naval commanders could be notified in time.

As many U-boats as could be reached have been notified, according to the German Embassy.—Havas.

TOKYO PRICE CUTS ORDERED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tokyo restaurants have been ordered to reduce their prices drastically, the idea being to cut out special rice dishes and generally restrict menus. Prices of fruits and vegetables have been greatly reduced.—Havas.

T.U.C. LOANS TO GOVERNMENT

The Trades Union Congress in London has announced that free of interest loans from Trade Unions to Government exceeded £750,000.—Reuter.

German Bomber Crashes In Eire

A German bomber crashed in County Kerry, Eire, yesterday, a statement issued by the Eire Government information bureau in Dublin reveals.

The statement says: "A German plane crashed early this afternoon at Faha Mountain, near Cloghane, County Kerry."

"The plane is a total wreck. The crew of six, two of which are seriously injured, have been interned."—Reuter.

Bathers Machine-Gunned

A few people were killed and several injured when a south-west town was bombed last night.

At another south-west town an enemy plane swooped down on the beach and machine-gunned men bathing.

Climbing higher the plane fired a burst at Home Guards on duty on the top of the cliff. The machine then disappeared into the clouds with a Spitfire on its tail but apparently managed to escape among the clouds.—Reuter.

SYLVIA PANKHURST THREATENED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SYLVIA PANKHURST, BRITAIN'S FAMOUS SUFFRAGETTE LEADER OF MANY YEARS AGO, SPRANG INTO THE NEWS AGAIN YESTERDAY WHEN SHE HANDED THE POLICE A LETTER THREATENING HER WITH DEATH.

An invasion of Britain will be launched in a few days, says that letter, and due arrangements have been made for her sudden demise. The letter was signed by Italians.

Besides being opposed to Italy's conquest of Abyssinia, Sylvia Pankhurst initiated the Society of

DEATH OF SON OF MAJ.-GEN. TELFER-SMOLLETT

The death on active service at St. Valery on June 11 was announced in London yesterday, of Second Lieutenant Alastair Telfer-Smollett, second son of Major-General Telfer-Smollett, ex-commander of the Shanghai Defence Force.—Reuter.

VIRULENT ANTI-BRITISH CAMPAIGN

The campaign of violent abuse against Britain continues in the Peiping Japanese-controlled Chinese press but a new note was introduced yesterday when Germany was attacked.

"Germany has done nothing good or beneficial to China — we don't wish to offer our felicitations to Germany in advance for her victory."

"Whether Germany or Britain is victorious has nothing to do with our Asiatic races."

Despite this statement, however, the Chinese press is confidently predicting Britain's early downfall, while the local authorities, who have no other means of gleaming the true facts, are being given the impression that Germany instead of Britain is winning aerial successes.

Apparently British successes are being withheld from publication.—Reuter.

CANADA BUCKED UP

Reports of Britain's fighter force repulsing German air attacks have inspired sharply increased confidence in Ottawa. The offer of certain Western Hemisphere sites as defence bases is regarded with great satisfaction since Canadians believe that it would bring Americans in closer contact and increase material aid from America.—Reuter.

Friends of Italian Freedom to expose the activities of the Fascists, and is a founder member and honorary secretary of the Women's International Mattiotti Committee to expose Fascism.—Havas.

THE COLONY ESCAPES

CLOSE PASSAGE OF THE TYPHOON TO HONG KONG HAD NO MORE SERIOUS EFFECT THAN A GALE IN HARBOUR LASTING SEVERAL HOURS AND A PERSISTENT DOWNPOUR WHICH, THIS AFTERNOON, SEEMED TO BE SET IN FOR THE DAY.

The centre of the disturbance passed close to Gap Rock at about 10.30 a.m., when gusts up to 75 miles an hour were experienced. The sharpest gust recorded at the Royal Observatory was one of 66 miles an hour shortly before noon.

Macao was expected to get a "blow" this afternoon. The course of the typhoon after passing the Colony suggested that it would enter the coast close to the Portuguese Colony.

The Observatory report on the disturbance states that the typhoon was first detected on the 15th to the north of Yap. It moved on a west and north-west track to the east coast of Luzon and from then until yesterday morning, moved slowly N.W. until it was situated about 150 miles east of Pratas Shoal.

Since then it has followed a WNW and West track and at 10.30 a.m. it appeared to be passing Gap Rock. Wind of Force 9 was felt at Waglan and wind force 11 (56-75 miles an hour) from the NNW at Gap Rock.

Transport Disorganised

Except for disorganisation of certain transport services — two Star ferries continued running for the first-class only and the tram service was entirely suspended — the typhoon had little effect.

Several ferries took half an hour to cross the harbour, because of the strong wind, blowing at gale force.

Occasional gusts indicated the

fairly close proximity of the depression, but the barometer began to rise after 8 a.m.

The reading at 9 a.m. was 29.21 inches at Falconer's and at 10.15 a.m. the reading was 29.27 inches.

Harbour Gale

All Hong Kong taxi services were suspended, but in Kowloon they continued to run. The Peak tram continued a normal service.

The weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory shortly after 10 a.m. was:

North-East gale, moderating; cloudy, with heavy rain squalls; improving later.

No. 8 signal ("Gale expected from south-east") was hoisted shortly before 1 o'clock.

Trams Restart

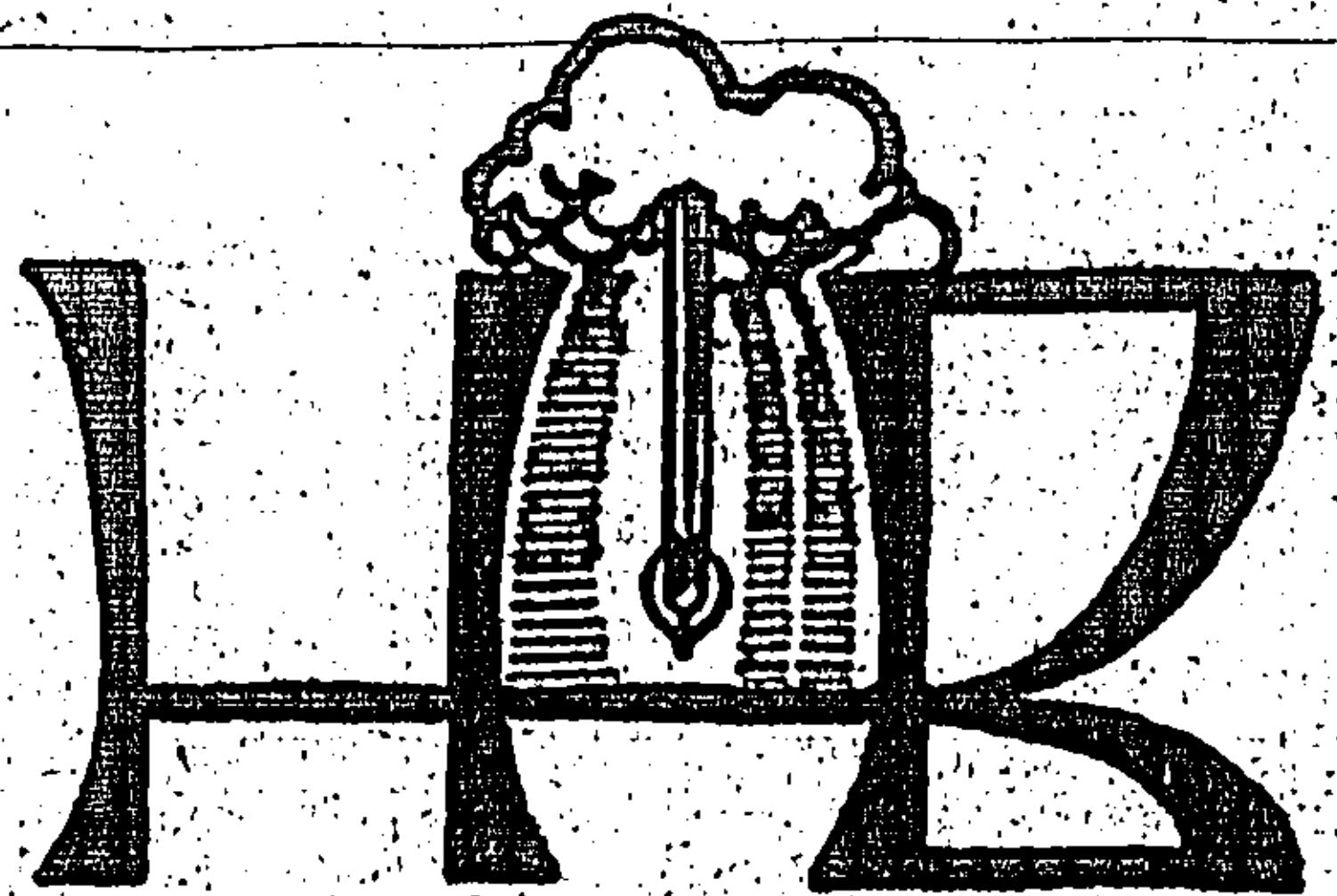
Later. The Tramway Company and island bus companies resumed normal services this afternoon, after the change of signal.

Shipping was never in difficulties and up to 3.30 p.m. no reports of serious damage had been received from any part of the Colony.

The gale on the south side of the island was heaviest between 10.30 and noon.

The ferry service is still restricted to two vessels, running at irregular intervals.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

CALM CONFIDENCE

"Sure Of Ourselves And Of Our Cause." --Mr. Churchill

Offensive Will Be Taken Next Year: Premier's Survey

"IF IT IS A CASE OF WHOLE NATIONS FIGHTING AND SUFFERING TOGETHER THAT OUGHT TO SUIT US BECAUSE WE ARE THE MOST UNITED OF ALL NATIONS, BECAUSE WE ENTERED THE WAR UPON THE NATIONAL WILL AND WITH OUR EYES OPEN AND BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN NURTURED IN FREEDOM AND INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ARE PRODUCTS, NOT OF TOTALITARIAN UNIFORMITY, BUT OF TOLERANCE AND VARIETY."

This was among the striking passages in the speech of the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, yesterday, on the conduct of the war, during which he gave a masterly review of the first 11½ months of conflict.

"Death and ruin," he said later, "become small things compared with the shame of defeat or failure in duty. We will face whatever is coming to us. We are sure of ourselves and our cause."

Mr. Churchill emphasised that Britain must prepare herself for the campaigns of 1941 and 1942. Two or three years, he pointed out, is not a long time, even in our short precarious lives. They are nothing in the history of a nation — we must not grudge these years or weary as we toil and struggle through them.

Continuing his statement, the Prime Minister, in connection with our refusal to allow food to pass the blockade of German occupied territory, declared that many of the most valuable foods are essential to manufacture vital war materials.

"Fats are used to make explosives, potatoes to make alcohol for motor spirit. Plastic materials, now so largely used in the construction of aircraft, are made from milk. "If the Germans used these commodities to help them bomb our women and children rather than feed the population who produced them, we may be sure any imported food would go the same way, directly or indirectly, or would be employed to relieve the enemy of the responsibilities he has so wantonly assumed."

Let Hitler Take It

"Let Hitler bear his responsibilities to the full and let the people of Europe who groan beneath his yoke aid in every way the coming of the day when that yoke will be broken."

"Meanwhile we can quite well arrange in advance for the speedy entry of food into any part of the enslaved area when the part has been wholly cleared of German forces and has genuinely regained its freedom. (Cheers.)"

"We shall do our best to encourage the building-up of resources of food all over the world so there will always be held out before the eyes of the peoples of Europe, including—I say—it deliberately—the German and Austrian peoples, that certain knowledge that the settling of the Nazi power will bring to them all immediate food, freedom and peace." (Cheers.)

Cataract Of Disaster

Mr. Churchill went on: "Rather more than a quarter of a year has passed since the new Government came into power in this country."

"What a cataract of disaster has poured out upon us since then."

The trustful Dutch were overwhelmed, their beloved and respected Sovereign driven into exile, the peaceful city of Rotterdam the scene of a massacre as brutal as anything in the Thirty Years' War.

"Belgium invaded and beaten

down, our fine Expeditionary Force which Leopold called to his rescue cut off and almost captured, escaping as it seemed only by a miracle and with the loss of all its equipment."

"Our ally France out. Italy against us."

Vichy's Future

"All France in the power of the enemy, all its arsenals and vast masses of military material converted or convertible to the enemy's use."

"A puppet government set up at Vichy which may at any moment default to become our foe. "The whole western seaboard of Europe, from the North Cape to the Spanish frontier, in German hands. All ports and all airfields upon this immense front employed against us as potential springboards of invasion."

"Moreover the German air power, numerically so far outstripping ours, has been brought so close to our island that what we used to dread has come to pass and hostile bombers not only reach our shores in a few minutes and from many directions but can be escorted by their fighters."

"If we were confronted at the beginning of May with such a prospect it would have seemed incredible that at the end of a period of horror and disaster or at this point in a period of disaster, we should stand erect, sure of ourselves. (Cheers.)"

"masters of our fate and with the conviction of final victory burning unquenchable in our hearts." (loud cheers.)

Undismayed

"Few could believe we could survive, none would have believed we should to-day not only feel stronger but should actually be stronger than we have ever been before. (Cheers.)"

"Let us see what has happened on the other side of the scales. "The British nation and the British Empire, finding themselves alone, stood undismayed against disaster."

"None flinched or wavered; nay, some who formerly thought of peace now only think of war." (Cheers.)

"Our people are united and resolved as they have never been before."

"Death and ruin become small things compared with the shame of defeat or failure in duty."

"We cannot tell what lies ahead. It may be that even greater ordeals lie before us."

"We will face whatever is coming to us. We are sure of ourselves and our cause and here is the supreme fact which has emerged in these months of trial."

Army At Home

"Meanwhile we have not only fortified our hearts but our island. We have rearmed and rebuilt our armies in a degree which would have been deemed impossible a few months ago."

"We ferried across the Atlantic, thanks to our friends over there, an immense mass of munitions, of all kinds, cannons, rifles, machine-guns, cartridges, shells, all were safely landed without loss of a gun or a round. (Cheers.)"

"The output of our own factories, working as they have never worked before, has poured forth."

"The whole British Army is at home. More than two million determined men have rifles and bayonets in their hands to-night and three-quarters of them are in regular military formations."

"We have never had armies like this in our island in time of war. The whole island bristles against invaders from the sea or from the air."

"As I explained to the House in the middle of June, the stronger our army at home the larger must an invading expedition be, and the larger the invading expedition the less difficult will be the task of the Navy in defeating its assembly, intercepting it destroying it on the passage."

First Line Of Defence

"The greater will be the difficulty of feeding and supplying the invaders if they are ever landed in the teeth of continuous naval and air attack on their communications."

"As in Nelson's day the first line of defence is the enemy's ports."

"Air reconnaissance and photography have brought to old principles new and potent aid."

"Our Navy is far stronger than at the beginning of the war. (Cheers.) The great flow of naval construction set on foot at the outbreak of war is beginning to come in."

"We hope our friends across the ocean will send up timely reinforcements to bridge the gap between the peace flotillas of 1939 and the war flotillas of 1941."

"The seas and oceans are open. U-boats are contained and the magnetic mine is up to the present mastered."

"Merchant tonnage under the British flag after a year of unlimited U-boat war, after eight months of intensive mining attack, is larger than when we began. (Cheers.)"

Food Supplies

"We have in addition under our control at least four million tons of shipping from captive countries which have taken refuge here or in harbours of the Empire."

"Our stocks of food of all kinds are far more abundant than in the days of peace and

KNOWS HITLER CANNOT WIN

General reaction in Washington to Mr. Churchill's speech is that he knows that Hitler cannot win this war.

"It was a good speech—shows a lot of confidence and is reassuring," was the comment of one hard-bitten newspaperman.

Mr. Churchill's references to the food blockade aroused little comment because all that would be implied if America were allowed to feed the German-occupied parts of Europe is now more widely known.—
Reuter.

there is a large growing programme of food production on foot.

"I do not say this to boast. The dangers that face us are still enormous but so are our advantages and resources."

"I recount them as the people have a right to know there are solid grounds for the confidence we feel, and we have good reason to feel ourselves capable, as I said in the very dark hour two months ago, of continuing the war if necessary alone, if necessary for years."

"Now I say it also because the fact that Britain stands invincible and Nazism is still being resisted, will kindle again a spark of hope in the breasts of a hundred million downtrodden or despairing men and women throughout Europe and far beyond its bounds, and from these sparks there will presently come a cleansing and devouring flame."

The Air Battle

"The great air battle which has been in progress over this land for the last few weeks recently attained a high intensity."

"It is too soon to attempt to assign limits either to its scale or to its duration. We must certainly expect that greater efforts will be made by the enemy than any he so far has put forth."

"Hostile airfields are still being developed in France and the Low Countries and the movement of squadrons and materials for attacking us is still proceeding."

"It is quite plain Hitler could not admit defeat in his air attack on Britain without sustaining most serious injury."

"If, after all these boasts, blood-curdling threats and lurid accounts trumpeted around the world of the frightful damage he has inflicted, of the vast numbers of our air force he has shot down—so he says—with so little loss to himself, after tales of panicked British crouched in their holes cursing the plutocratic government which led them to such a plight (laughter)—if his whole onslaught were forced tamely to peter out, the Fuehrer's reputation for veracity of statement might be seriously impugned. (Loud laughter.)"

So Far So Good

"We may be sure therefore he will continue as long as he has strength to do so and as long as any preoccupations he may have in respect of the Russian air force allow him to do so."

"On the other hand the conditions and course of the fight have so far been favourable to us."

"I told the House two months ago that whereas in France our fighter aircraft were wont to inflict a loss of two or three to one upon the Germans, and in the fighting at Dunkirk, which was a kind of No-Man's Land, about three or four to one, we expected that in the attack on this island we would achieve a larger ratio."

"That has certainly come true. (Cheers.)"

"It must also be remembered that all enemy machines and pilots which are shot down over our island or the seas which surround it are either destroyed or captured, whereas a considerable proportion of our machines and also our pilots are saved and are soon ready again to come into action."

Speedy Repair

"The vast and admirable system of salvage directed by the Ministry of Aircraft Production ensures the speediest return to the fighting line of damaged machines and also the most providential and speedy use of all spare parts and material."

"At the same time the splendid, nay, astounding increase in output and repair of British aircraft and engines which Lord Beaverbrook has achieved by his genius for organisation and drive, which looks like magic (cheers) has given us over-flowing reserves of every type of aircraft and an ever mounting stream of production both in quantity and quality."

"The enemy is, of course, far more numerous than we are, but our new production already, I am advised, exceeds his largely, and American production is only just beginning to flow in."

"It is a fact, as I see from my daily returns, that our bomber and fighter strength, now, after all this fighting, are larger than they have ever been. (cheers.)"

Roads To Victory

"We hope and believe we shall be able to continue the struggle indefinitely as long as the enemy pleases and the longer it continues the more rapid will be our approach first towards parity and then towards superiority in the air, on which in a large measure the decision of the war depends."

Mr. Churchill praised the R.A.F. fighter pilots but asked his audience not to forget the work of our bomber squadrons night after night and month after month."

He added: "We are able to verify the results of the bombing of military targets in Germany, not only by reports which reach us through many sources but also by photography."

"I have no hesitation in saying this process of bombing military industries and communications in Germany and air bases and storage depots from which we are attacked, which process will continue upon an ever-increasing scale until the end of the war, or may in another year attain dimensions hitherto undreamed of, affords one of the most certain, if not the shortest, of all roads to victory."

Italy Not Forgotten

"Even if the Nazi legions stood triumphant on the Black Sea, or indeed upon the Caspian, even if Hitler was at the gates of India, it would profit him nothing if at the same time the entire economic and scientific apparatus of German war power lay shattered and pulverised at home."

"The fact that an invasion of this island upon a large scale has become a far more difficult operation with every week that has passed since we saved our army at Dunkirk, and our very great preponderance of sea power, enables us to turn our eyes and turn our strength increasingly towards the Mediterranean, and against the other enemy (cheers) who, without the slightest provocation, coldly and deliberately for greed, stabbed France in the back in the moment of her agony and is now marching against us in Africa."

Somaliland

"The defection of France has of course been deeply damaging to our position in what is called, somewhat oddly, the Middle East. "In the defence of Somaliland, for instance, we counted upon

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BRITISH BASES FOR UNITED STATES: AGREEMENT REACHED

MAKING A SIMILAR STATEMENT IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO THAT OF MR. CHURCHILL IN THE COMMONS, LORD CALDECOTE SAID AN IMPROVEMENT IN ANGLO-SOVIET RELATIONS HAD BEEN A MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

The Soviet Union's interests touched the British Empire at many points and ordinary prudence would indicate a better understanding.

He believed there was a basis for a satisfactory trade agreement. Sir Stafford Cripps was courageously and successfully fulfilling his difficult task in interviews with M. Molotov.

The importance of these negotiations to trade was fully appreciated by Sir Stafford Cripps and it was hoped an agreement might shortly result.

Closing the debate which followed Lord Caldecote's statement, Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, replied to a question whether the discussions with the United States affected bases elsewhere than the Atlantic, like Singapore.

No Details

Lord Halifax said arrangements were confined to the Atlantic, West Indies and Newfoundland.

Discussion of details had not yet been begun though an agreement had been reached in principle and he was satisfied that no great difficulty would arise in the discussion of details.

Referring to Hitler's declaration of a blockade of Britain, Lord Halifax said the declaration added nothing startlingly new to the shipping situation.

"Ships will still enter and leave our ports as they have entered and left in thousands since the beginning of the war."

"The amount of shipping arriving and leaving is still at the level of the months immediately preceding the recent intensification of attacks upon it."—Reuter.

E. P. D. QUESTIONS

A question was raised in the Commons yesterday about the position of base metal producers with a life not exceeding about 20 years who were unable economically to increase production as a consequence of the 100 per cent Excess Profits Tax.

Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replied that provision had been made to meet such cases. Such companies could apply for an increase not exceeding four per cent in the rates of dividends allowed under the relevant section of the Finance Bill.—Reuter.

TROOPS IN ADEN

A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO YESTERDAY STATES THAT THE WHOLE OF THE BRITISH FORCE WHICH WAS EVACUATED FROM BERBERA HAS NOW REACHED ADEN, WITH THE BULK OF ITS EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL.

A small portion of material left behind was destroyed before the departure.

There is no change in the Western Desert, the communique adds, and on other fronts there is nothing to report.—Reuter.

LIBYAN BASES BOMBED

Heavy bombing attacks on Italian bases in Libya are announced in a war communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

The attacks were made during the night of August 18, bombers attacking Derna, where a salvo of bombs was seen to fall near the harbour jetty and shipping.

Bombs were dropped on the camp and petrol dump at Bir el Gobbi (in Libya). El Gobbi satellite aerodrome was also attacked.

El Gobbi is the aerodrome of Torbruk.—Reuter.

SOMALILAND: SEEN AS SETBACK BUT UNAVOIDABLE

WHILE DEPLORING THE loss of prestige entailed by the evacuation of British Somaliland, the London press recognises its necessity, especially after the defeat of France, but emphasises that Italy will gain little from the occupation and the fate of the territory will be decided elsewhere.

"The Times" says the evacuation represents a distressing set-back. The loss of prestige in Africa to the Italians is especially unwelcome yet it is bad policy to fight for prestige alone when the principle of economy of force suggests cutting losses and the concentration of strength elsewhere.

From the strategic viewpoint the Italians gain comparatively little by their capture. They were already well-placed in Eritrea to close the Red Sea and attack Aden were they capable of doing either, and the occupation of the Somali coast will not substantially assist them.

The final fate of British Somaliland will be determined not upon its own barren soil but in theatres of war where the main struggle is fought out.

The "Daily Telegraph" emphasises the evacuation portends no weakening of our strength or powers of resistance in other parts of the Middle East.

Here, says the newspaper, despite the defection of the French, we are well able to hold our own.

Take Care

The "Daily Herald" says we must take care that there are no similar incidents elsewhere in the Middle East and we must press on to victory on a world front that will wipe out all reverses we have suffered, great and small.

To such victories the Government is leading us. We are willing and eager to quicken the march.—Reuter.

THE POPE ON WORLD PEACE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

"Humanity will not recover real peace unless it abides by the principles and rules of justice and Christianity as laid down in the Gospel," declared His Holiness the Pope at a reception to the new Bolivian Ambassador to the Holy See yesterday.

The Pope recalled that at the darkest hours in the history of mankind, the Holy See endeavoured to induce men to discover a just solution of their differences within the principles of real brotherhood.

"We feel that now the Holy See has a heavy burden to carry and therefore we beseech all men especially those in power to remember Christian principles."

"God is at the beginning of everything. Both war and peace depend upon Him and we do not doubt the Divine Providence will gather spiritual and moral fruit out of this conflict."—Havas.

TRADE IN S. AMERICA

Mr. G. A. Isaacs (Lab. South-west) asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether special steps were being taken to facilitate the holding of stocks in South America with a view to expanding the export trade to those South American countries from which Britain was drawing essential supplies.

Sir Andrew Duncan replied: "Yes. The Export Council have the matter under close consideration and steps are being taken to enable large stocks of British goods to be carried into these markets."—Reuter.

The Portuguese Community announces that a Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Governor of Macau Dr. Artur Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa, will be held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Calne Road, on Friday next at 9 a.m.

JAPANESE ASK NAZIS FOR SAFE PASSAGE!

It is understood the Japanese Government is requesting the German Government for a safe passage for four Japanese liners evacuating Japanese subjects from England.

Three liners are already en route to Lisbon and if possible to Liverpool to assist the evacuation while a fourth arrived in Liverpool on Monday to embark 40 Japanese.—Reuter.

R.A.F. OFFENSIVE

Offensive operations by the Royal Air Force continue on an impressive scale.

An Air Ministry communique states: "Yesterday our bombers carried out daylight reconnaissances over Holland and the North Sea."

An anti-aircraft position near Amsterdam and an aerodrome at Flushing were bombed. One of our aircraft failed to return.

During the night, 30 enemy aerodromes in Germany and in enemy-occupied territory were attacked.

Other aircraft bombed the naval base at Kiel, the oil refinery at Hanover and the power station at Zschornowitz, north of Leipzig, attacked. Two aircraft were and a number of key points on lost."—Reuter.

GERMAN PILLAGE IN EUROPE

Answering questions in the House of Commons yesterday relating to the famine peril in Europe, Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, gave these three answers:

"Large German armed forces, assisted by the Gestapo and other agencies, are quartered in Poland and are no doubt living on the country. I have also received a report that a quantity of Polish flour has been offered by the Germans to neutral purchasers in south-east Europe."

"The Germans have been attempting to remove from Holland large quantities of butter, eggs, vegetables and other foodstuffs much in excess of requirements. I am happy to say that these attempts have been disturbed by the Royal Air Force."

Pillage in Norway

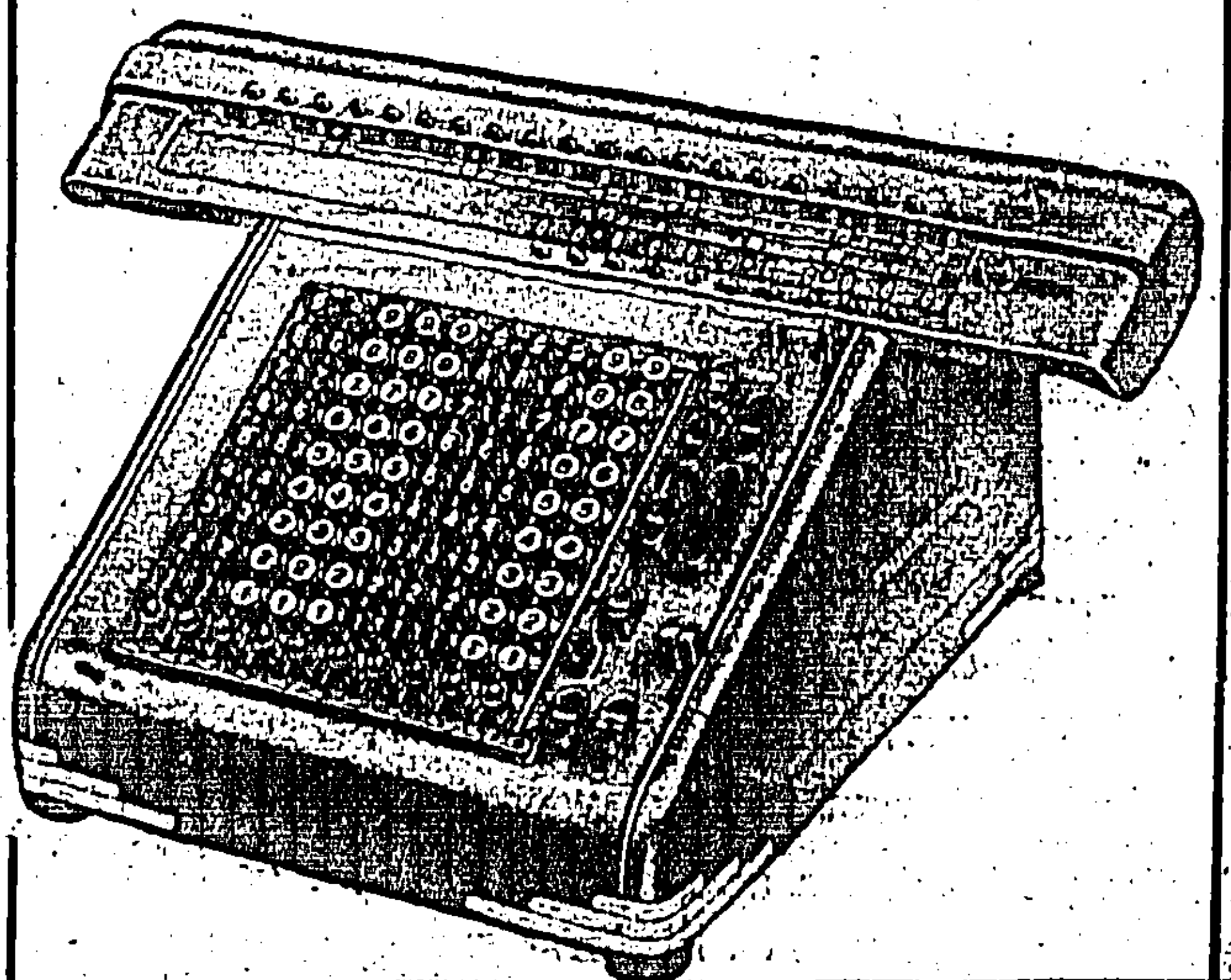
"Information at my disposal indicates that at the time of the German invasion, Norway had in hand one year's supply of cereals, at least 9 months' supply of sugar and substantial stocks of other foodstuffs. There is I am afraid, no doubt at all that since the invasion the Germans have removed a large part of those stocks. I believe that in some cases payment has been made with pieces of paper, but I am satisfied that those pieces of paper will not re-purchase the food needed by the population."—Reuter.

the enemy's line of communications in the Ruhr and North West Germany.

The oil tanks at Ambers near Bordeaux were also successfully attacked. Two aircraft were and a number of key points on lost."—Reuter.

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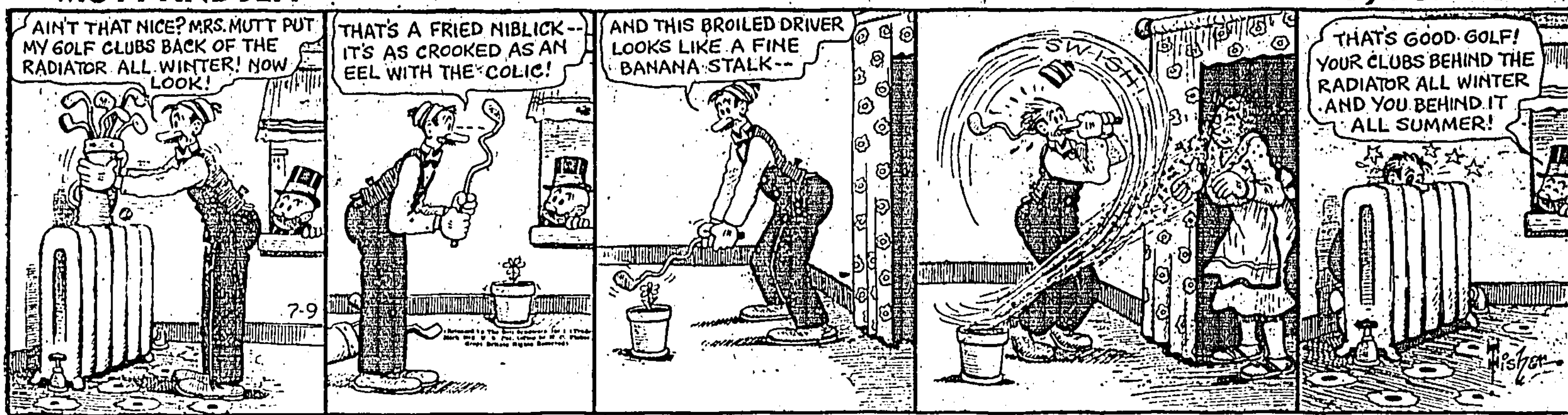
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"PROUD TO HAVE LEADER LIKE MR. CHURCHILL"

MR. H. B. LEES-SMITH (Labour) who followed Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons yesterday, said the decisions announced by the Prime Minister that we shall exercise the full strength of our blockade and that we shall afford the United States full facilities for acquiring bases "represent also the decisions of the united nation."

Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha paid a tribute to Mr. Churchill for the speech and added: "We may well be proud to have a leader of that stamp at this time."

"We are heartened by the knowledge that in one important respect the fortunes of war have been decisively turning in our favour."

"We have learned that our production is such as to entitle us to hope that within a measurable time we shall enjoy command of the air."

Mr. Hore-Belisha referred to the "slight reverse in Somaliland."

Sooner Or Later

Earl Winterton (Cons) said: "Sooner or later we shall have"

to develop to the fullest degree the almost unlimitable resources of men and material in Africa and India.

"The Secretaries for the Colonies and India should raise greater land armies than the world has ever seen."

Capt. L. F. Plugge (Cons) complained of Allied inferiority in the number of broadcasting stations and urged the erection of 500 stations to stage an offensive in the ether of the world.

ROBBERIES NOW TOO DANGEROUS

Crime in the Metropolitan police area, as well as in the Home Counties, has reached what is believed to be a new low-level record.

Burglars and thieves of all types, smash-and-grab raiders, pick-pockets, and most criminals under other headings are having one of their most inactive periods known to the most experienced officers at Scotland Yard.

Two Reasons

Two reasons are advanced. The main one is that with the increased war activity and the frequency of A.R.P. and Local Defence Patrols at night the criminal knows that he cannot move far without being challenged. And if he attempts to bolt he is liable to be fired at.

Secondly, it is known that a large number of pre-war criminals mended their ways with the outbreak of war and are now playing their part usefully in some form of national service. Before the war an average of about 40 cars were stolen every night from the Metropolitan area alone.

Since the new order on locking cars which are left in the streets, an average of about one car a night has been stolen.

At Country Houses

Country house burglaries, which before the war averaged 16 a week, are now the exception rather than the rule.

Activities of smash-and-grab raiders have also been considerably curtailed.

ARMING INDIA'S SHIPPING

It was learned in Simla yesterday that progress is being made in arming Indian registered merchant shipping with defensive guns and fitting them with de-gaussing apparatus.

The Royal Indian Navy is providing skeleton gun crews supplemented by the ship's companies.—Reuter.

BRITAIN GIVES AN APOLOGY TO SWITZERLAND

The British Government has expressed deep regret to the Swiss Minister in London for the violation of Swiss territory by Royal Air Force planes, against which the Swiss Minister registered a strong protest. Reuter's diplomatic correspondent in London learns from authoritative quarters.—Reuter.

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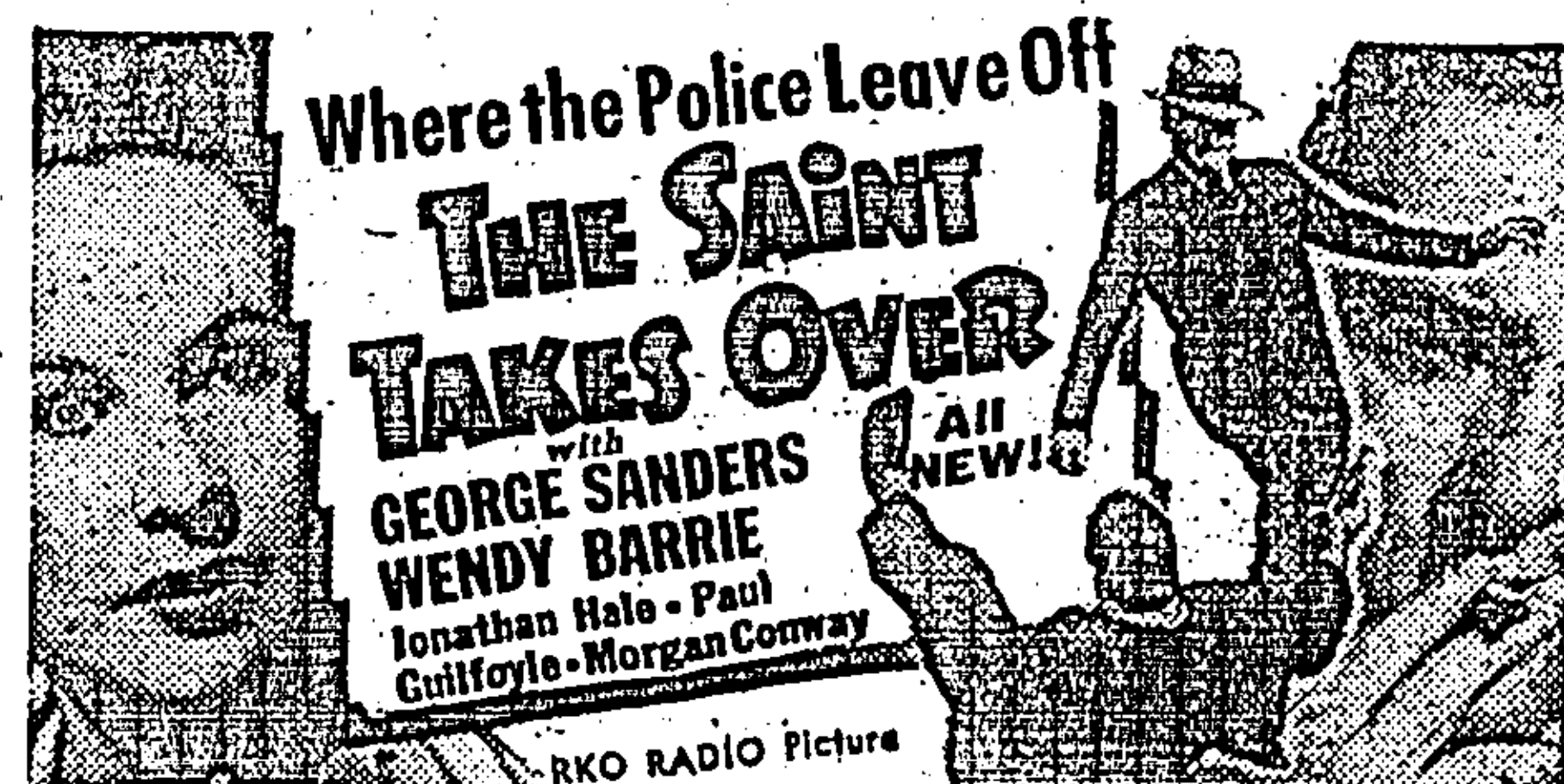
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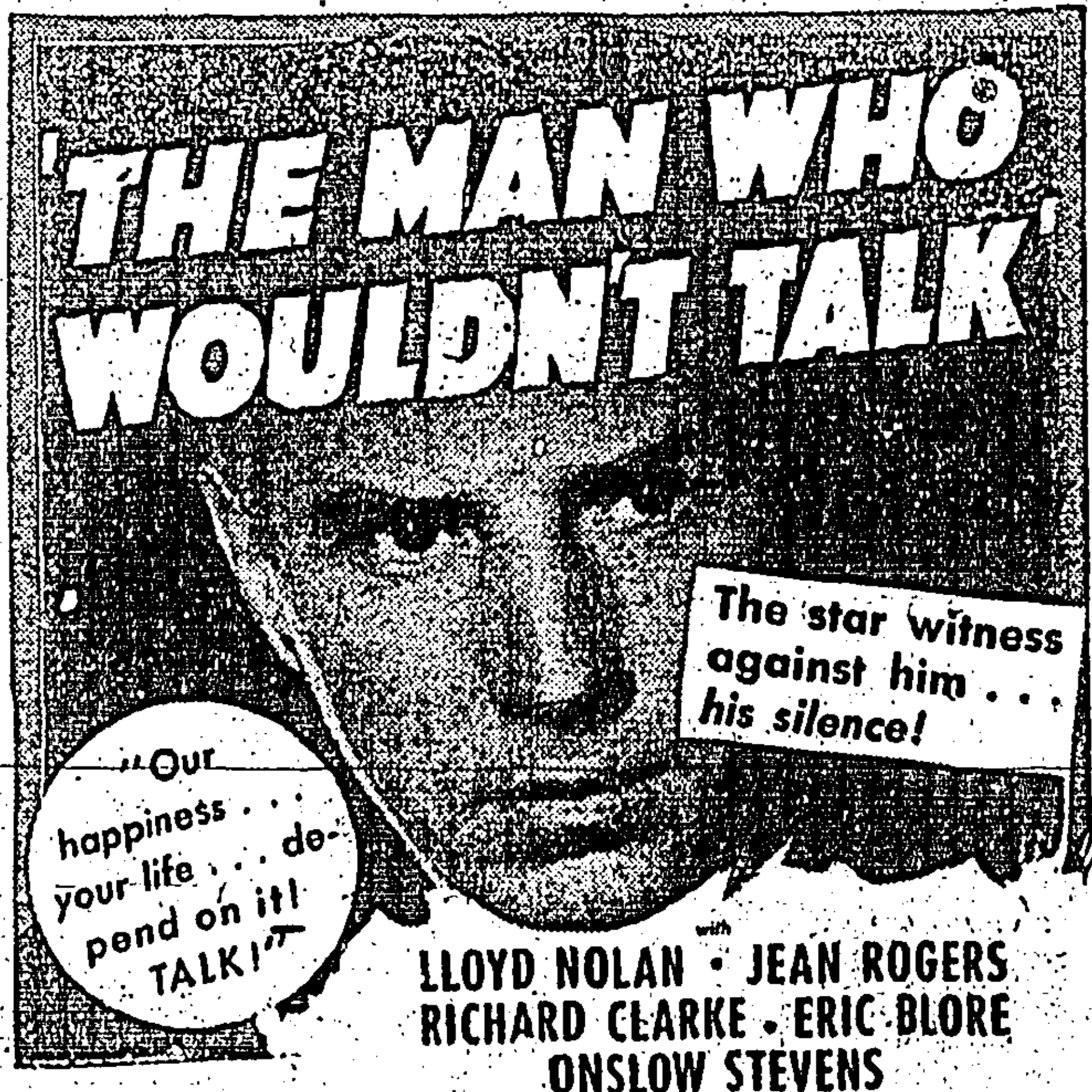
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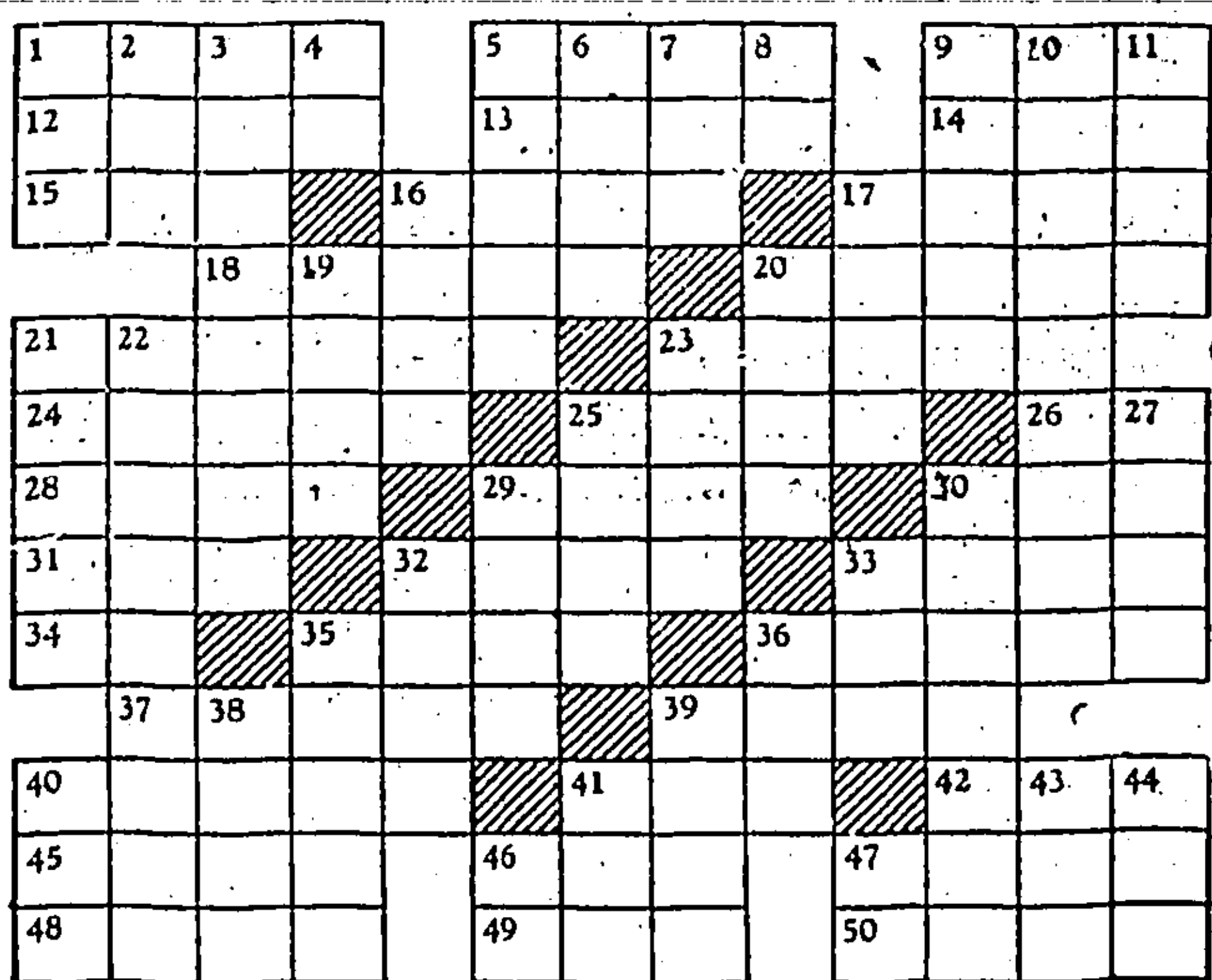
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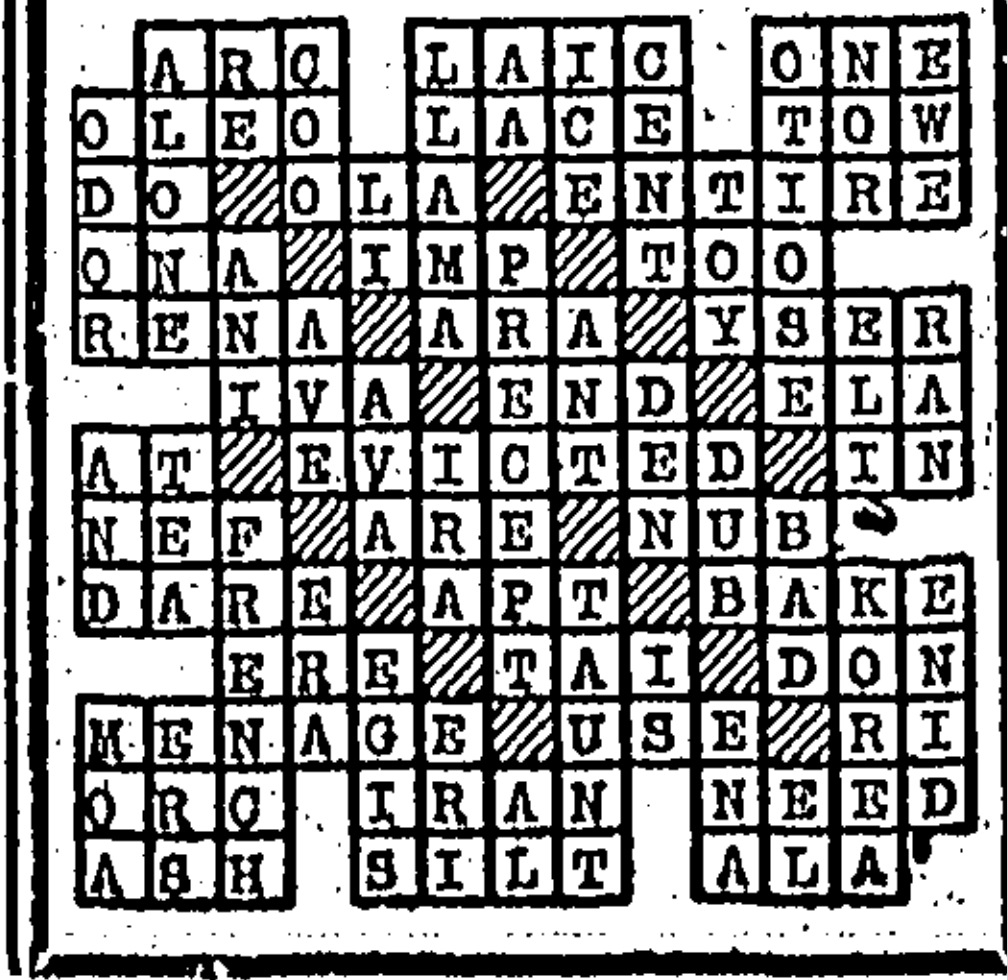
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28 Old English coin
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32 Cry of sorrow
33 Unspirited consonant
34 Symbol for nickel
35 Projecting part
36 South American 'ahaw'

37 Cossack
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48 Serf
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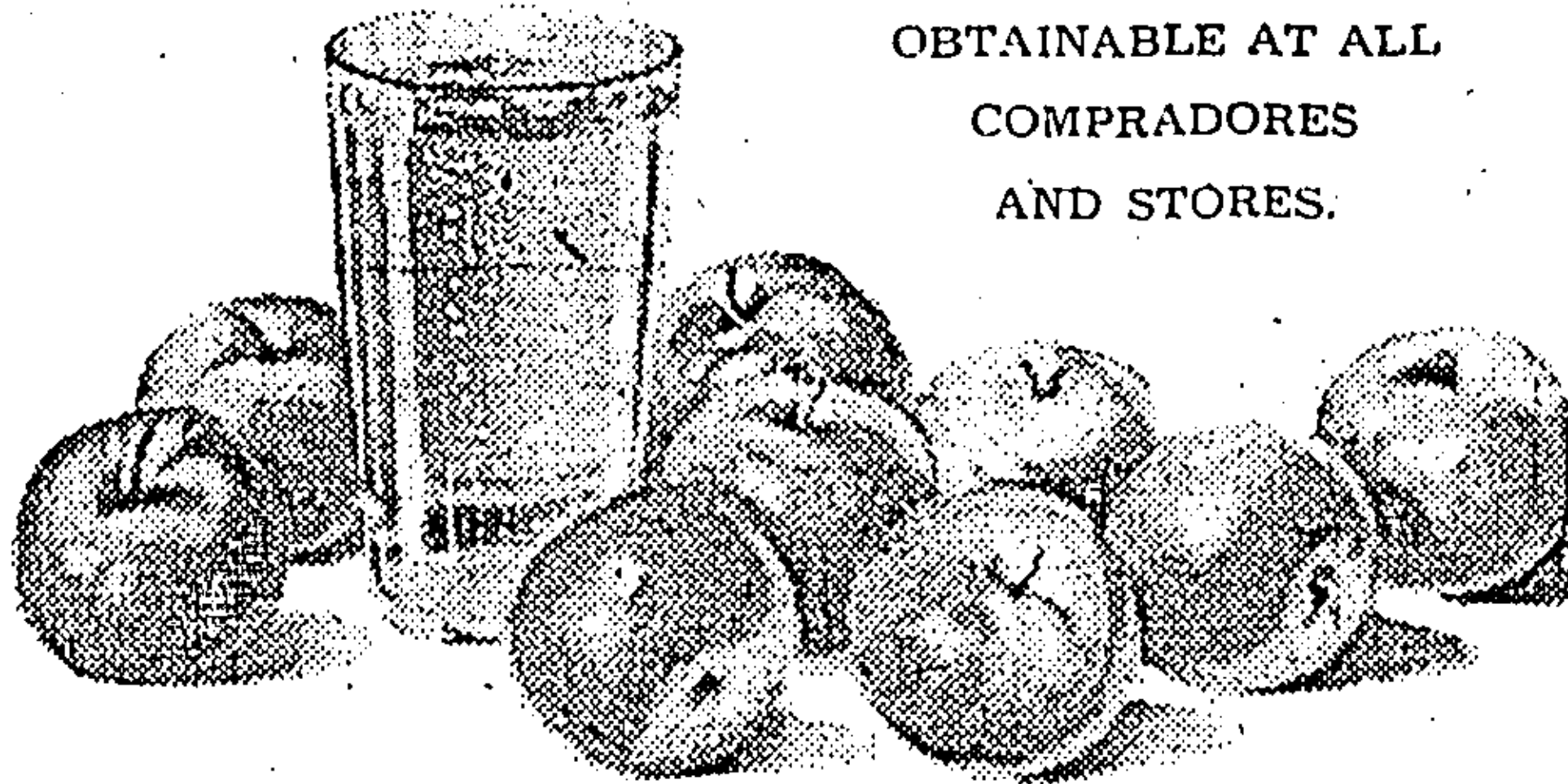
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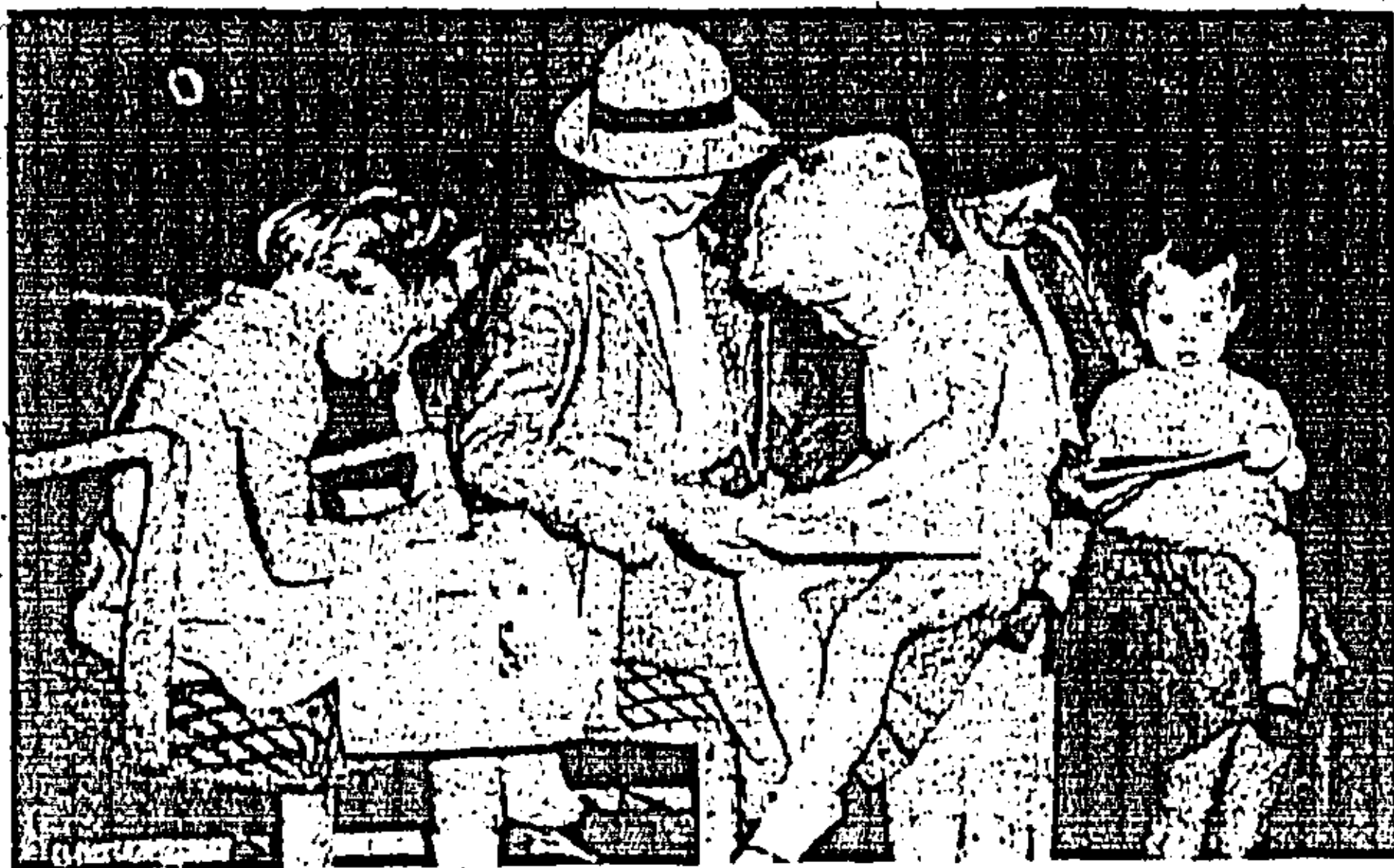
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There has been such a rush for applications for visas to enable British mothers and children to go to the United States that a special annex to the Immigration section of the American Embassy has been opened at Grosvenor House, Park Lane. More than 10,000 persons interested in visa matters passed through the Embassy last week. Photo shows: Children with their nurses waiting whilst parents complete details. (Copyright, Fox).

TAILS UP IN COMMONS

LIKE THE ROYAL AIR FORCE RECENTLY, THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, INCLUDING THE PRIME MINISTER, HAD THEIR TAILS UP YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WRITES REUTER'S PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

With the air over Parliament tranquil except for a genial breeze coming past the wires of London's balloon barrage, Mr. Churchill, buoyant yet quietly confident, delivered his review to an attentive House.

There was no demonstration when Mr. Churchill entered unobtrusively but one good loud cheer and then members settled down to listen.

Next biggest ovation came when Mr. Churchill referred to the great air battle which has been in progress in the past week.

From that point it was clear why the House and the Premier were displaying so vigorous a fortitude and so calm an outlook.

The air defence had not only held but were already reaching out towards vital enemy points and affording good hope of the final Allied offensive to which Mr. Churchill had referred.

Plain Recital

Throughout there was nothing spectacular about a speech of plain facts the usual touches of humour and the usual contempt of rhetorical devices.

It was a plain recital by a confident man to a confident audience.

The speech was warmly praised afterwards by members of all parties as being right both in tone and temper.

Frank approval was also expressed regarding the proposals to enable the United States to have naval and air bases in Newfoundland the West Indies and elsewhere.—Reuter.

QUERIES ON EQUIPMENT OF R.A.F.

The Earl of Tankerville has asked the Government whether they will state the names of the individuals responsible for the fact that during recent action by the Royal Air Force in France and Belgium it was usually necessary for our fighter aircraft to engage enemy aircraft at least four or five times as numerous.

He also wants to know whether this was due to lack of equipment and, if so, who are the individuals responsible for such a shortage after having had so long to prepare for the present phase in hostilities.

The question appears on the order papers of the House of Lords, but is not for oral answer.

CHARGE AGAINST VOLUNTEER

THOMAS STEPHEN MAHER 21, APPRENTICE ENGINEER OF NO. 74, JOHNSTON ROAD THIRD FLOOR, ATTACHED TO HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS, WAS BEFORE MR. G. T. LOWRY, AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING, CHARGED WITH LARCENY BY BAILEE AND WITH RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY.

It was alleged that defendant was given a quantity of rations to be delivered to the No. 4 Company, H.K.V.D.C., at Cape Collinson on August 19, and that he converted to his own use four packets of tea and a tin of milk.

C. S. M. Baskett represented the Volunteers while Sergeant Cullinan is in charge of the case. The charges were not read to defendant and no plea was taken while Sgt. Cullinan asked for 48

hours remand for further enquiries, which was granted. Hearing was fixed for Monday August 26, at 2.30 p.m. Capt. E. N. Thursby, Adjutant, was in Court.

INOCULATION IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Following the recrudescence of contagious disease, inoculation against cholera and typhoid is being forced on Shanghai-landers who were not inoculated in April, declared the Japanese spokesman in Shanghai yesterday. The measure will be enforced for a week and all those crossing the bridges into Japanese controlled areas will be required to produce inoculation certificates.—Havas.

AIR RAID STOPPED THE TOWN CLOCK

Three people were killed, nine injured and one died of shock when enemy aircraft dropped bombs at a number of points, including the Bristol Channel area, the Midlands, South-East England and Scotland.

A ten-year-old boy, James Shaw, was buried under debris and killed, his mother was injured, a man died from shock and seven other people were hurt when a lone German plane dropped several bombs over a Midland town.

An infirmary was struck and an operating theatre wrecked.

There were no casualties in the infirmary. Admirable calm prevailed in all departments. Nurses on emergency duties took up their posts while others helped patients able to walk to the shelters.

Bombs fell on eight nearby cottages. An amazing escape was that of Mr. Job Bailey, his wife and eight children, who were having supper in their kitchen.

Shelters Undamaged

In the gardens of all the houses which were wrecked the Anderson shelters were undamaged.

In a south-west England town a bomb hit the edge of an air raid shelter. The Post Office was damaged and one explosion stopped the public clock.

Remote villages in the south-west of England area were apparently mistaken for some industrial centre, and raiders dropped twenty-four bombs.

Six high explosive bombs and between thirty-eight and forty incendiary bombs were dropped in north-east Scotland. All the incendiary bombs fell in fields.

The German account of the raids says: "German aircraft bombed ports and munition works in England and Scotland. In many places explosions and fires were observed especially in the harbours of Cardiff and Bristol, where several tanks were set on fire. There were also successful raids on air bases at Lincoln, Nottingham and Yorks."

GIFT OF A SQUADRON

The gratitude of the people of Britain for a gift of £100,000 for a third squadron of Hurricanes has been expressed by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, in a letter to the Resident of Hyderabad and the Nizam Executive Council, which sponsored the fund.

This magnificent gift touches the heart of the entire British nation at a moment when it faces the onslaught of the enemy, his letter said.

This moving demonstration of comradeship inspires them to battle.

Where it wages most fiercely, there will that Hyderabad Squadron of Hurricanes to deal swift and terrible death to the enemy.

Another gift of £1,500 from the Southern Rhodesia branch of the British Red Cross has been sent to the headquarters in London.

The Colonial Secretary has gratefully acknowledged a second gift of £7,500 from the Uganda War Fund Committee.—Reuter.

COUNCILLOR FOUND DEAD

Mr. Albert E. Cook, a member of Bath City Council for many years, was found dead with throat wounds.

He was one of the Labour stalwarts in the city.

Mrs. Cook is in hospital with hand injuries received when she tried to prevent her husband from injuring himself.



The Cult Of Caliban

SOMALILAND

For what it is worth, the Italians have successfully invaded British Somaliland. They may take pleasure thereby, but there can be little profit in the achievement, for Berbera is neither Aden, nor the effective control of the Red Sea.

Ingenious attempts to turn the evacuation into another victory for British arms, however, are rather more amusing than clever.

Events in Somaliland are simple of explanation. The Colony's defences were based upon French cooperation. In the breakdown following the armistice, the British troops were too few and inadequately equipped for successful defence against the forces available to the Italians. Reinforcements could have been sent, but only at the expense of other regions in the Middle East, in the theatre of operations of infinitely greater strategic importance. If the Italians regarded the gain as worth the cost, that after all is their business.

THE HOPE OF UNITY

Of the means to international security it is too early to speak in any detail, since we do not know what the world outside our own British Commonwealth borders will be like when the gunfire has ceased. Perhaps the prisoner-nations of the European concentration camp, which Hitler has constructed, will have been taught by adversity the lesson that unity is strength, and that unity means Union, not mere pacts and bargains and covenants. Perhaps the project of Anglo-French union, rejected by a demoralised French government in favour of nominal separate existence as a Nazi puppet state, will come at length to fruition.

Certainly the way to enlarged freedom is the way of enlarged units of like-thinking peoples for the purposes of common defence and foreign policy. Certainly, too, the peace after victory cannot be a peace of disarmament. The prime lesson of the past twenty years is that the forces of peace and order, like the forces of civil government within the state, must have supreme power. It may be that the Royal Air Force, with its sister air forces from other countries of the British Commonwealth, will be, for the re-

CONCERNING one thing the recent years, more especially the recent months and weeks, have driven many people to alter their minds: that is the reality of evil, the existence of a cruelty absolute, the presence, if you prefer the Biblical term, of Satanism. Before this we were apt to regard the wrong as no more than warped or twisted phases of the right.

There was much, it seems; but not total wisdom in those psychological analyses of sin which referred it to unhappy infancy, bad diet, or thwarted impulse. Recent events have shown a willingness, even a passion, to shut the gates of mercy on mankind in so terrible a form that we cannot comprehend it without admitting the existence of stark, unconditioned, self-glorifying brutality. It would be disastrous if because of this we should abandon all efforts to comprehend the criminal tendency by psychological probing and revert to the old folly of taking the lash and the fetters to every form of law-breaking. At the same time it is difficult to believe that all the sympathetic analysis and psychological treatment in the world would soften the flinty hearts of mankind's present bullies and oppressors.

INTO the enormous problems of crime and punishment this is no place to enter. What may be remarked by the way is the manner in which recent events of history have fought against recent trends of psychology by restoring that old bugbear of childhood the Ogre. The early myths of mankind are full of monsters and giants and earth-afflicting devils. There was rarely, if ever, in those myths the suggestion that the Ogre was a normal and a good man run to size and seed, like an overgrown vegetable, and therefore rather to be pitied than put out of action. An Ogre was just what the story called him, and the business of the hero was to slit his weasand or whatever organ was most vulnerable.

There was never any supposition that the various Davids of the various tribal sagas should have stopped to reason with their Goliaths or that Odysseus should have attempted rather to eradicate some nasty complex in the Cyclops instead of putting out his single eye. Those who attended the first audition of the "Odyssey" were not, we may be sure, affected with compassion for the Cyclops when he was so ruthlessly reduced to impotence. He was evil; he was monstrous; and he got, as they say, what was coming to him. That was the primitive view.

SO too there was no queasiness in the old nurseries when the Ogre of the fairy tale came to a bad and bloody end. The wicked giant, or whoever it was, went Fe-fo-Fumming about the world and slaking his thirst with blood and was a Bad Thing. To destroy him was a Good Thing, and that was that. His appetites and conduct were simply horrid and naturally Satanic. Nobody explained them in terms of a fall on the head when young or of the folly of a nanny or of reactionary and repressive education.

Of later years, however, the increase of compassion in the more decent members of the human race has led to an entirely different attitude to Ogres. They have been viewed rather as deluded Esaus than as savage Goliaths. Huge and possibly hairy, they are no longer regarded as brutish oppressors of their fellows, but as victims of their destiny. Why did they grow so huge? Because of glandular misfortune. Why were they so rough? Because they could not help the inefficient co-ordination of grey cerebral matter with red blood and mighty muscles. That is the psychology of the new popular story or picture, especially those coming from the United States.

A TYPICAL case in point is that of Mr. Steinbeck's tale "Of Mice and Men," which has been so enormously popular in fiction and on stage and screen. The central figure is a kind of mam-

mainder of our generation, the long strong arm of the law between nations. We must never again throw away our strength.



"SO THIS IS ISOLATION" (Copyright in All Countries.)

moth moron, the clumsy giant with a brain the size of a pea and a heart the image of a golden cabbage. The Ogre has not only ceased to be the villain; he has become the hero. When D. H. Lawrence cursed the cool intelligence, praising belly and blood against brain and reason, he was only assisting the cult of such a Caliban and setting up a literary King Kong for readers who had not the wit to see where he was leading them.

By
Ivor Brown

THE Ogre need not be of gargantuan size: he may be only a fierce fighter. As such he will certainly emerge as a pathetic or even sympathetic figure in the works of Mr. Hemingway and his followers or in any of the numerous gangster films in which the chief law-breaker turns out to be both as hard as nails outside and as soft as butter within. Public Enemy Number One now usually appears, after an hour and a quarter of furious pugnacity, to

be as mild a specimen as ever laid down his life for another. The gunman with a heart of gold, a part admirably played by Mr. George Raft, is the darling of our time, a position of honour which he shares with the "goofy" giants and maudlin ogres of the new fiction. The nineteen-twenties whined the sad story of the Poor Little Rich Girl; the late thirties replied with a tearful salute to the Poor Big Tough Guy.

The modern sob for the poor misunderstood giant is therefore a manifestation of charity which may be seriously overdone. We are reminded of that by the emergence in our time of human ogres who have reduced Europe to a state of chaos, cruelty, and barbarous anarchy unimaginable only thirty years ago. Let it be remembered that the execution, after court martial, of one Spanish anarchist who claimed to be a pacifist and innocent of abetting the riots in Barcelona was considered so dreadful a crime in 1909 that the Ferrer case became an international issue: leading newspapers in the United States sent emissaries to inquire into this abomination. Imagine any fuss being made about the judicial murder of a single anarchist in the year 1939 or 1940! So far have the Ogres triumphed.

WHAT they have done is to re-establish the reality of wickedness. We have been driven back to the nursery state of mind in which we were very grateful to Jack for killing the horrid Giant and never stopped to ponder over the poor monster's grie-

vances. Ogres who wanted to grind our bones to make their bread were properly floored and finished off. We were sometimes a trifle sorry for Caliban when he was pinched by invisible fingers as well as set to hard labour. But we knew him for a brute and rejoice when his plot to seize the island and Miranda too was foiled. We made no cult of Caliban.

Bad men to put it simply, have by their dreadful deeds revived that simple state of mind. We know that they exist. We see and mean to destroy a giant that is evil beyond excuse and pardon. We tried long to search the Ogre's psyche for the wounds which we could heal. Now that philosophy, like our patience, is exhausted.

We Mustn't Write Like This

Here is an extract from an article which appeared in the American magazine "Life," on June 24. It is called: "I Fought in the Sky over Dunkirk — by An R.A.F. Squadron Leader."

"An R.A.F. Base in England. WE got a 'stand by' early in the morning of the first day of the Dunkirk evacuation, and at 9 a.m. we got our orders. 'There were twelve of us, and climbing to 20,000ft. we headed across the North Sea. 'I don't remember many personal impressions of that first journey out — except the feeling that here was something really doing at last.'"

AT 4,000ft. they were looking for trouble, when suddenly a formation of Hun machines were spotted. He cursed the height he had lost, then: 'The fighters, mostly Messerschmitts, — heeled over and came screaming down at us, and the next second we were in the thick of it.'"

"Most of my instruments, I remember, had gone haywire in the course of violent manoeuvring. 'I remember particularly that my giro was spinning crazily and the artificial horizon had vanished somewhere into the interior of the instrument panel, calmly turning up its bottom and showing me the maker's stamp and the words 'Air Ministry Mark IV' or something like that. 'Down went the Messerschmitt again with me close on his tail. 'With the great speed of the dive my controls were freezing solid and I was fighting the stick hard to bring the Hun up into the centre of my sights. 'When you get them there they stick, in fact, it's hard to get them out. 'Once there you hold them forever. 'I thumbed the trigger button just once, twice. I smelt cordite fumes blowing back from my Brownings as the 1,200 squirts a minute from each went into him. 'I saw little spurts of flame as the tracers struck. For a fraction of a second I saw the back outline of the pilot's head half-slew-

ed around to see what was after him, before presumably he ceased to know.

"I saw a burst of flame and smoke from his engine, and then he was going down in a twirling spin of black smoke."

HE goes on to say that he looked around for his colleagues, but they had gone. This fight had taken him fifty miles inland. Then: "Out over the North Sea on the way back to the station, I clicked on the radio and called up the pilots of my squadron one by one."

He says to them: "How are you? Did you get any?" Then one came back jubilantly — he had got one. Then the rest — all of them had got one or two.

"One was funny. When I asked him what he had got, he came back, growling and disgusted with a 'Graf Zeppelin.' Two didn't answer."

In these brief extracts from this vividly written article, I'll bet you know more about what an air battle is really like than everything you have read in your newspapers or heard on your wireless.

It stirred you, didn't it? It created a picture in your mind not only of the fight, but also of the fellow in the machine.

Perhaps you think that British writers can't write like that. The truth is that we are not allowed to write like that.

Why?

I don't know. All I know is that if a British writer were to incorporate in a story half the facts and a quarter of the humanity that is in the above, the censors would die of apoplexy.

"Gad, sir," they would proclaim. "You mustn't write like that. It makes our heroes ordinary blokes, you know."

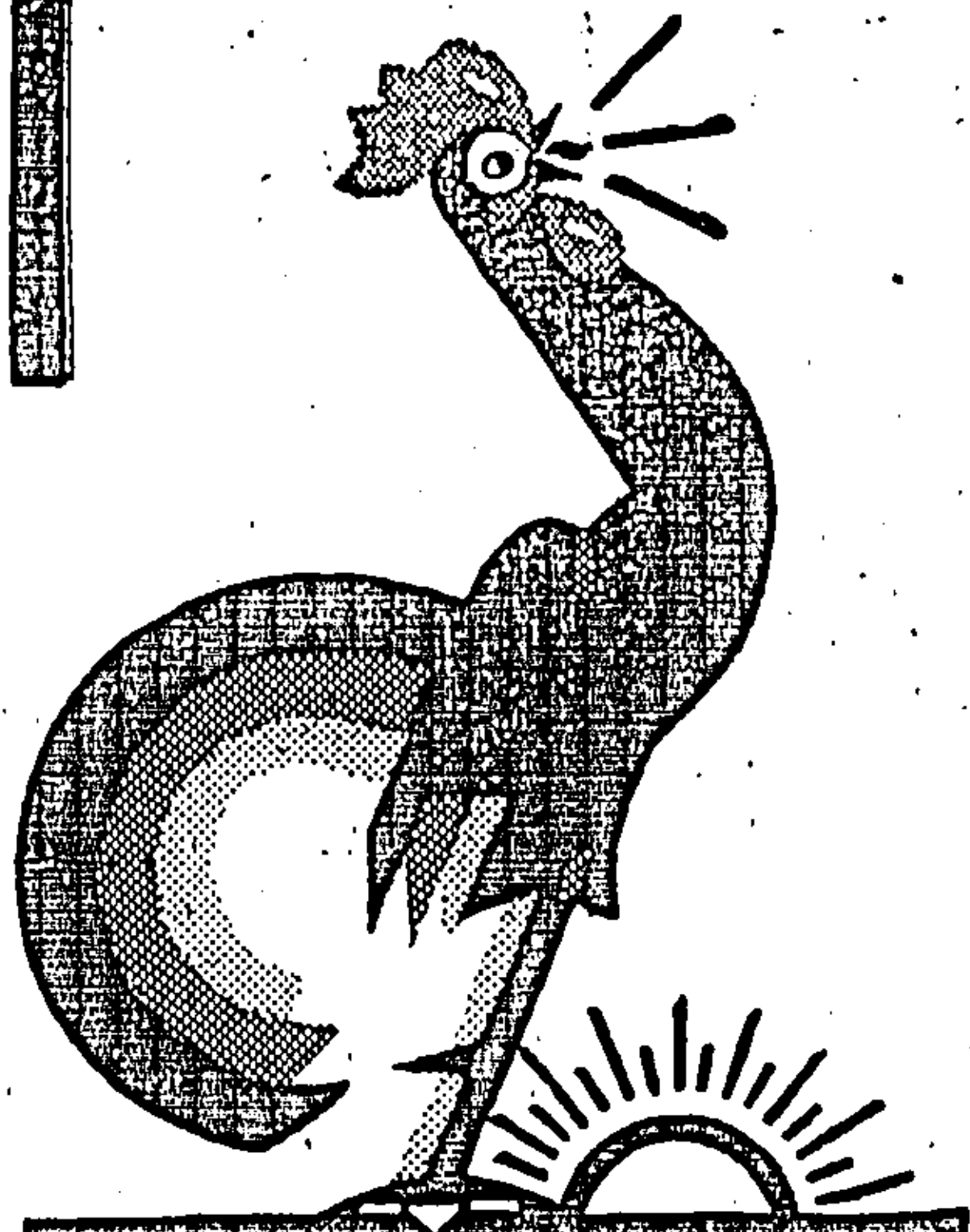
And so in your newspapers and on your wireless, you hear the same old drab tripe spun out night after night, day after day. The same old, dreary reiteration of aerial clichés.

And why, you ask, are Americans given all this latitude?

I answer: I don't know — I really don't know.

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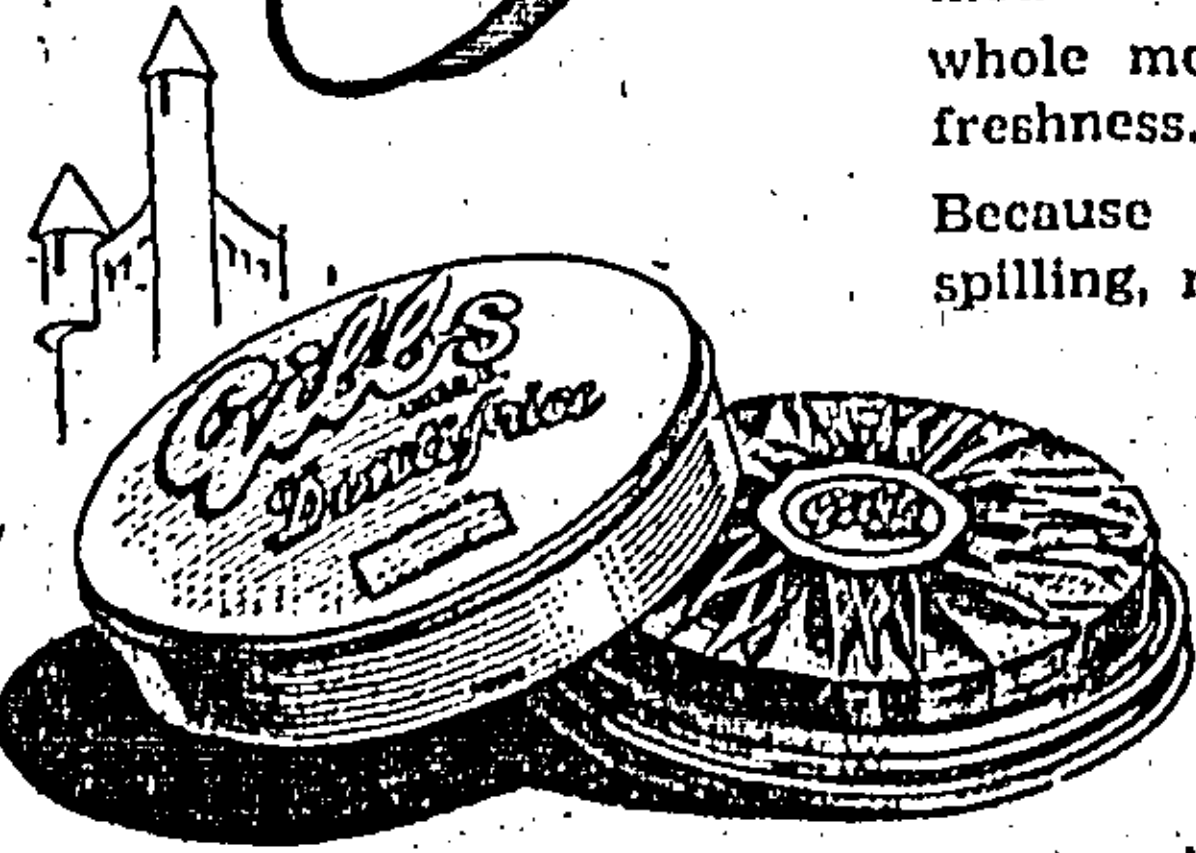
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FLIGHT IN A BOAT RUN ON BUTTER

A GLIMPSE OF German soldiers swinging along a Jersey street, shouting and bellowing the Horst Wessel song in chorus, was one of the last incidents of the invasion of the Channel Islands to catch the eye of a refugee who told his story in London.

"My wife left Jersey immediately the Lieutenant-Governor—the King's representative—announced that the island was to be demilitarised," he said.

"The last of the troops and guns were leaving the harbour as the first of the stream of civilians boarded the ships awaiting them. There were thousands—men, women and children—carrying every ounce they could. My wife and I, and our daughter, who went with her, had been up all night collecting things for the journey. There was a limit on luggage of 28lbs. We went from room to room, picking things up and setting them aside as we came across other things of greater value and less weight.

"Things were quiet for a day or two after they had gone, but everywhere I met people who had tried to get away from the island, only to find there was no more ship accommodation. The mail boats were crammed to the rails.

No Chance

"Then, last Friday, the German planes came over, bombing and machine-gunning, killing and wounding civilians indiscriminately. We didn't have a chance.

"There wasn't a gun, not even a revolver, left in the island. I was in a car on the coast road when two bombers came roaring low at us from the direction of the harbour.

"I flung myself down by the sea wall. The bullets splattered all around me.

"On Saturday morning they came over again, but did no damage. On Sunday they came skimming over the housetops—huge Heinkels—singly, at intervals of half an hour.

"At 5 a.m. I was awakened by the roar of a dive bomber. He swooped very low—and dropped something on to a roof.

"Some one climbed up and found it was a German flag. Attached to it was an ultimatum from the general commanding the Nazi air force in Normandy.

"It was taken to the Bailiff, Mr. Alex Coutanche, who ordered it to be printed and posted up all over the island. It said:—

"As evidence that the island will surrender the military and other establishments without resistance and without destroying them, a large white cross is to be shown, as follows from 7 a.m. July 2, 1940:—

"In the centre of the airport in the east of the island;

"On the highest point of the fortifications of the port;

"On the square to the north of the inner basin of the harbour.

"If signs of peaceful surrender are not observed by 7 a.m. heavy bombardment will take place.

"Radio traffic and communications with authorities outside the island . . . will be followed by bombardment.

"Every hostile action against my representatives will be followed by bombardment."

"The proclamations were posted up at 1 p.m. that day. By the evening there were white flags showing from houses all over the island. The Germans were already in the streets. They had arrived at 5 p.m.

"By that time I had made my plans for escape, though I had little hope of their succeeding. At 9 a.m. I had gone into the town, where my lawyer told me of the German ultimatum, and of the occupation of Guernsey.

£50 Passage

"I tried to buy a passage to England in a motor-boat. The owner wanted £50, then backed out at the last moment, after I had made all preparations to leave."

"I met the captain of a Dutch cargo vessel which had come to collect potatoes. In the air raid of Friday his cook had been in-

jured, and the skipper had taken him to hospital.

"In his absence the crew had gone off with the ship, leaving the captain stranded.

"Another man pointed out a motor-boat left by an Englishman who had gone in the general evacuation. We decided to take it to England and hand it over to its owner. Then we found it wouldn't work.

"A mechanic from a garage said he would mend it. He took away one or two parts, but never came back.

"I knew the Germans would be with us in an hour or two. The Dutch skipper and I went to work together.

"I went on a scrounging expedition, and came back with the spark plug we needed and a length of rubber tube, with which, somehow, we mended the engine. Then we hid inside the boat, and waited for darkness and high water.

"We got two loaves, a large jar of water, and a chart of the Channel. A man on the quay begged a passage. I knew it lessened our chances, but we agreed to take him.

"I told him to come back later, and not to breathe a word to a soul. He promised to bring more provisions.

On Her Knees

"A woman of about fifty drove up in a car. She begged a passage, went down on her knees to me, pleading.

"She told me she had a son a lieutenant in the Navy. I said she could come. She turned to a man lounging on the quay and said, 'Do you want my car? You can have it.'

"The man said, 'What's the use of a car? I can't even drive.' But he said he would have it, as it was free. 'Perhaps I can sell it,' he said.

"The woman told me she had just seen the Germans in the town. She said they were lined up, heavily armed, with motor-cycles, with which they had landed from planes.

"I gave orders. No smoking, no talking, no moving about. If you don't obey these instructions it's the finish for all of us."

"Twilight was coming on when I heard voices. I crept to the hatch and peeped out. I saw between fifty and eighty German soldiers swinging along shouting and bellowing the Horst Wessel.

"They marched past within ten or fifteen yards of us, and went up to the fort. After that I saw motor-cyclists patrolling. Otherwise there was not a soul to be seen.

"The boat started to float. We put up the sails, but there was not a breath of wind. We got hold of a rope tied further along the quayside, and—tried to—haul ourselves out.

Lack Of Oil

"It took us almost an hour to travel fifty feet. We thought we should be caught in the middle of the harbour. We dared not start the engines.

"We had just got through the harbour mouth when we started the engines. We took a circuitous, amateurish route.

"North-west of Guernsey the engines seized-up for lack of oil. We heard scores of planes and expected them to spot us at any moment. We heard the sound of many explosions from the island.

"We thanked heaven for a mist which came up at that moment. But we had to have oil. I searched among our provisions and found 3lbs. of butter.

"We melted it on the exhaust pipe and poured it into the sump.

I.R.A. MAN WITH BRITISH MILITARY MAP

A man who claimed to be a soldier of the I.R.A. was fined £100 at Hendon and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with a further three months in default of payment.

He was charged, under the defence regulations, that he had in his possession a military map which might have been of use to the enemy.

He was John Barry, twenty-four, described as a blacksmith, of Mason's Avenue, Wealdstone.

It was stated that Barry had been working at an R.A.F. station with a firm of contractors.

LIGHT ON LAVAL

The American war correspondent, Mr. H. R. Knickerbocker, who came to London from Bordeaux, tells of a conversation he had with M. Laval, Marshal Petain's Vice-Premier, which sharply illuminates the attitude of the French near-Fascists.

Mr. Knickerbocker was dining in the Chapon Fin Restaurant in Bordeaux the Sunday night that M. Reynaud was overthrown. M. Laval and some half dozen of his friends were at a nearby table. He invited Knickerbocker to join him.

The talk turned on the proposed capitulation, and M. Laval asked Knickerbocker for his opinion.

Hitler's Real Aim

Knickerbocker replied: "If France continues to resist she will ultimately be saved by Britain and the United States, but if she capitulates it will be the end of France for ever."

Several of M. Laval's companions nodded their heads in sorrowful agreement. M. Laval, with a curious air of detachment in a man whose country was about to surrender, said:

"You exaggerate the importance of what is happening here; Hitler's real aim is to smash Bolshevism and the Soviet Union, and that is what really matters."

The engine ran the whole day until eight o'clock that night on Jersey butter.

"We were within twelve miles of the English coast when darkness fell. There was a big swell and our engines failed. Then an air raid started.

"The German bombers dropped flares. Searchlights swept the sky, then coastal guns blazed into action.

"At daybreak a cutter spotted us and towed us in, more dead than alive. Some one made us coffee. Everybody shook hands, thanked everybody else, and then drifted away—perhaps never to meet again."



Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary of State for Air, is making a regular series of inspections of Officers and Men of the Royal Air Force at home stations, and also of units of Allied Air Forces working with the R.A.F. When inspecting Polish units, he welcomed them "Into the comradeship of the Royal Air Force," and told them "If we attain the victory — and I am confident we shall — it will be a victory for Poland no less than for Great Britain." (Copyright, Fox).

NO CHANGE IN WAR CABINET APPROVED

SIR ARCHIBALD Sinclair, the Air Minister, replying to the Commons debate yesterday and dealing with Imperial representatives on the War Cabinet, said that while it was the wish and judgment of Parliament that as far as possible the size of the War Cabinet should be kept small, how far it was possible to keep down the size of the War Cabinet was a question for the Prime Minister.

It would be difficult to include in the War Cabinet a representative of all the Dominions. They had an admirable method of associating the Dominions with decisions and with the framing of policy on which the War Cabinet proceeded.

It had been suggested that the inclusion of Imperial statesmen in the War Cabinet would be a symbol of unity of Empire.

There was great force in that argument but surely a greater symbol of unity of Empire was the contribution each of the Dominions was giving to our effort.

The splendid Canadian and Australian squadrons of the Air Force, the splendid contributions in the air and on land which South Africa was making to the defence of Africa and in other ways, were among the many substantial symbols of unity.

Sir Archibald Sinclair assured the House that Government would apply the lessons of the war in their plans for the future.

Offensive Spirit

He said M.P.'s had pleaded for the offensive spirit, for a large army and the constant concentration of industrial resources upon waging total war.

In so pleading they were forcing open the door. Government was advancing on these lines.

The Air Force was demonstrating the offensive spirit at the present time. (Cheers). Government was convinced of the necessity of carrying the war first by air and by sea and then by land into the territory of the enemy.

The whole Government was enthusiastically united in the policy embodied in the Anglo-American arrangements for the defence of our mutual interests in the Western Hemisphere and they were grateful for the whole-hearted support the House had given them.

Empire Air Training

In regard to the Empire air training scheme, Sir Archibald said he could not give figures but a fact which showed substantial

progress was being made was that whereas they were expecting to reach a certain figure on pilot production from Canada in July, or even as late as the end of next year, they were now going to get that figure by April. (Cheers).

Sir Archibald said the Air Ministry were also planning training elsewhere. He had no prejudice against transferring training schools overseas but he must ask the House not to expect any statement on this matter now or at any future time because if they did decide to move a number of schools overseas it might easily be a move of great magnitude, involving the transference of a large amount of material and a very substantial number of men, and that would have to be protected by secrecy.

The Air Ministry were pressing forward energetically with their training system which had proved itself in the war.

It was not a question of raising the standards of training but rather of protecting and maintaining high standards and accelerating the system to get larger outflow of pilots.

Sure Grounds

Looking back over the last three months it seemed to him that there were sure grounds for confidence in the future.

He paid high tribute to the magnificent spirit of the Air Force, the brand of workmanship and the machines.

The number of our fighter squadrons ready for operations against the enemy was higher now than it had ever been despite a week of intensive operations.

Sir Archibald added we were not neglecting the offensive spirit, and we were strengthening our bomber forces. The weight of our offensive was being felt ever more heavily in Germany and Italy. — Reuter.

BRITAIN TO GO AHEAD

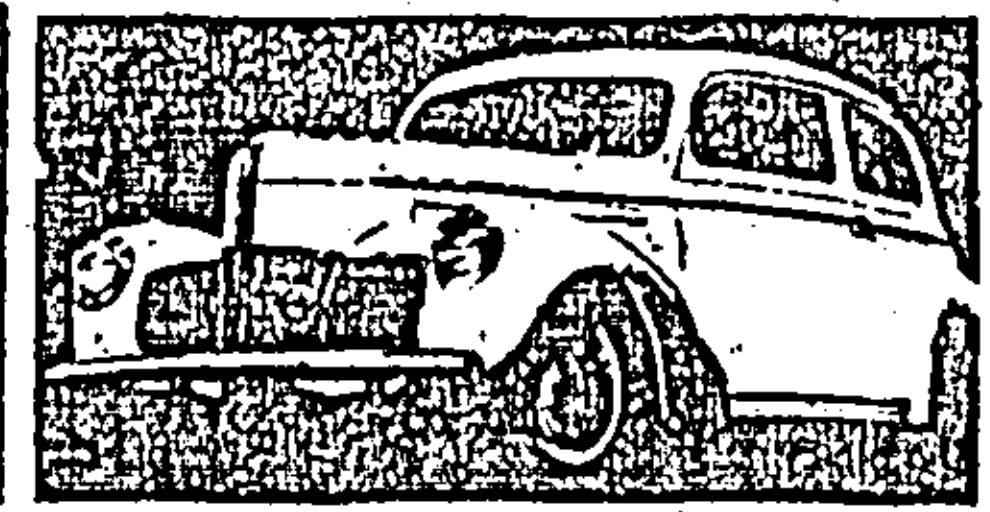
The Washington correspondent of the "Wall Street Journal," in yesterday's issue stated, on reliable authority, that the British Government has decided to implement plans for the construction of a chain of aircraft factories in the United States.

These factories are designed to produce 1,300 planes monthly by the latter part of 1941. The correspondent adds that the British Purchasing Commission recently obtained from the American Defence Commission, the cost of such a plan. — Reuter.

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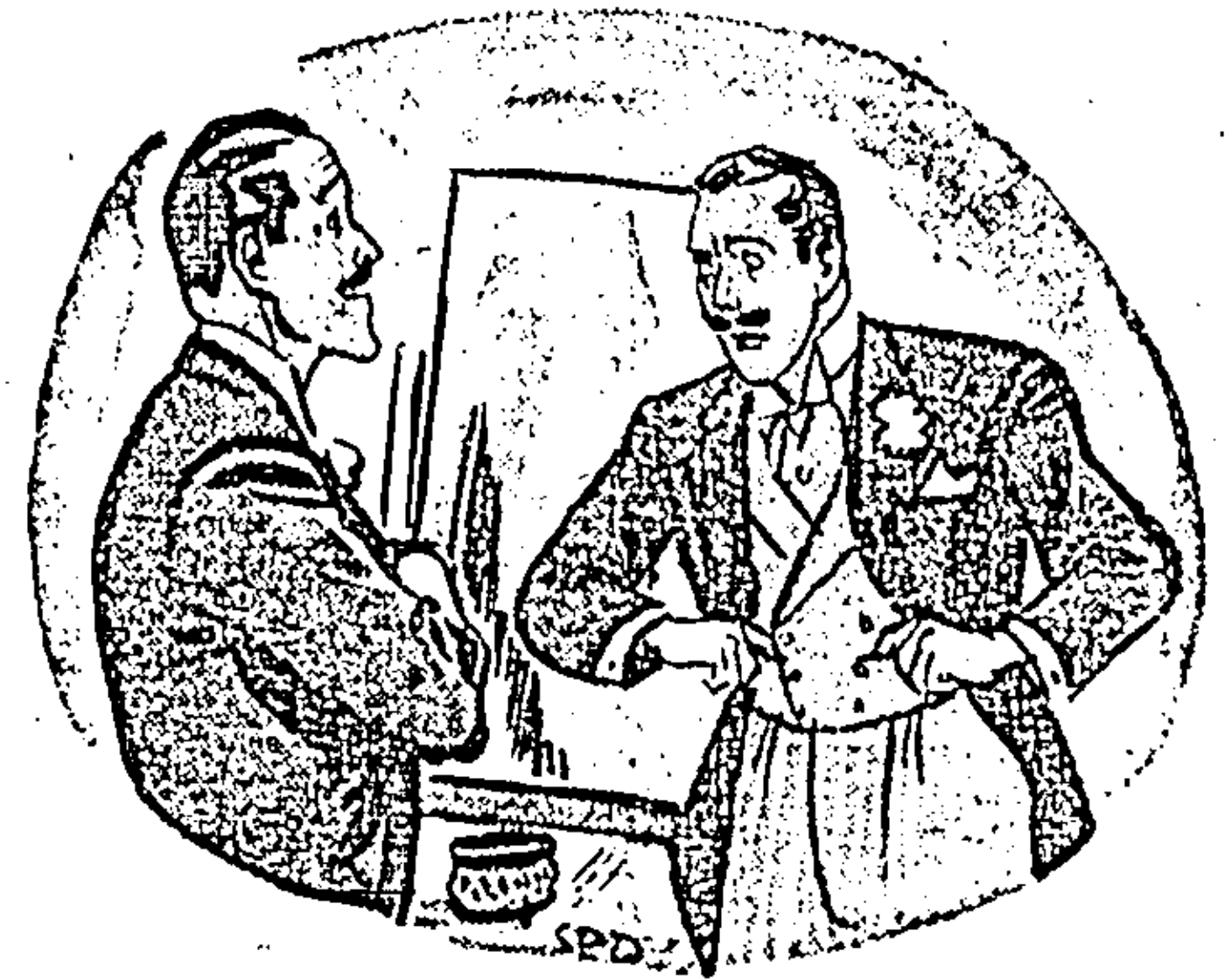
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"Oh yes. Of course. So it is. Ha! Ha! Funny if I lost it. Yes. I say — let's go over this business once more. Now what do I do when..."

"My dear Peter, look at your tie. Pull yourself together. Remember, I'm the man who's going to be married, not you."

"Oh. Are you? I mean yes — of course. Fact is, old boy, I'm in a rather weak state. That celeb-

tion of yours last night. Oh my poor head. I'm sure I won't be able to squeeze it into that wretched topper."

"If you'd only taken my advice last night and stuck to gin and Rose's..."

"Rose's? Oh yes. For the bridesmaids. I thought you said they were to be carnations."

"Rose's Lime Juice, blockhead! Prevents hangovers. Therapeutic action. I wish I'd rammed a quart of it down your silly throat. Next time I get married, Peter, remember — you stick to gin and Rose's the night before."

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KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

Notice is hereby given that the 16th Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Golf Club will be held at the Club House, Kowloon City, on Saturday, the 31st August, 1940, at 6 p.m.

By Order of the Committee.

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Hon. Secretary.

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WINNING CONTRACT

(By The Four Aces)

TAKING PRECAUTIONS South made the rather ambitious slam contract shown below because he took precautions against the most likely suit breaks. He knew that the most probable break of six cards is 4-2 rather than 3-3. That item of knowledge was quite important in the proper development of the heart suit:

North, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠	A K J 9 8 2	♠	10 5
♥	A K 7	♥	Q 10 6 3
♦	A K 6 3	♦	Q 9 4
♣	K J 9 2	♣	8 7 5 2

West opened the Queen of clubs, and South thought for quite a while before making the first play from dummy. Obviously, it was necessary to set up dummy rather than his own hand; but how was he to guard against a 4-2 break in hearts? To be sure, the trumps had to break 3-2 if the slam was to be made; but it was vital to give the shorter trump holding no chance to over-ruff a heart trick.

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		

The solution seems quite simple when it's pointed out. Dummy won the first trick with the club King, and South discarded the singleton heart! That allowed South to ruff a low heart at once. Dummy was re-entered with a trump for another heart ruff. Now the spade Ace was cashed, dummy discarding a club, and a trump was led to dummy's Ace. The hearts were then cashed, and it didn't matter when East took his high trump. That was the only trick the defence could win.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠	9 8 3
♥	Q 5
♦	A Q 10 7 4
♣	A Q 9

The bidding:

Schenken	Partner	You	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Bid three no-trump. You have considerable strength in the unbid suit, a fair diamond suit, and some help for your partner's majors.

Score 100% for three no-trump, 40% for two no-trump, 20% for three spades.

QUESTION NO. 494 To-day you are David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠	6
♥	8 5 2
♦	A Q 10 8 5
♣	10 6 3 2

The bidding:

Burnstone	Schenken	You	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

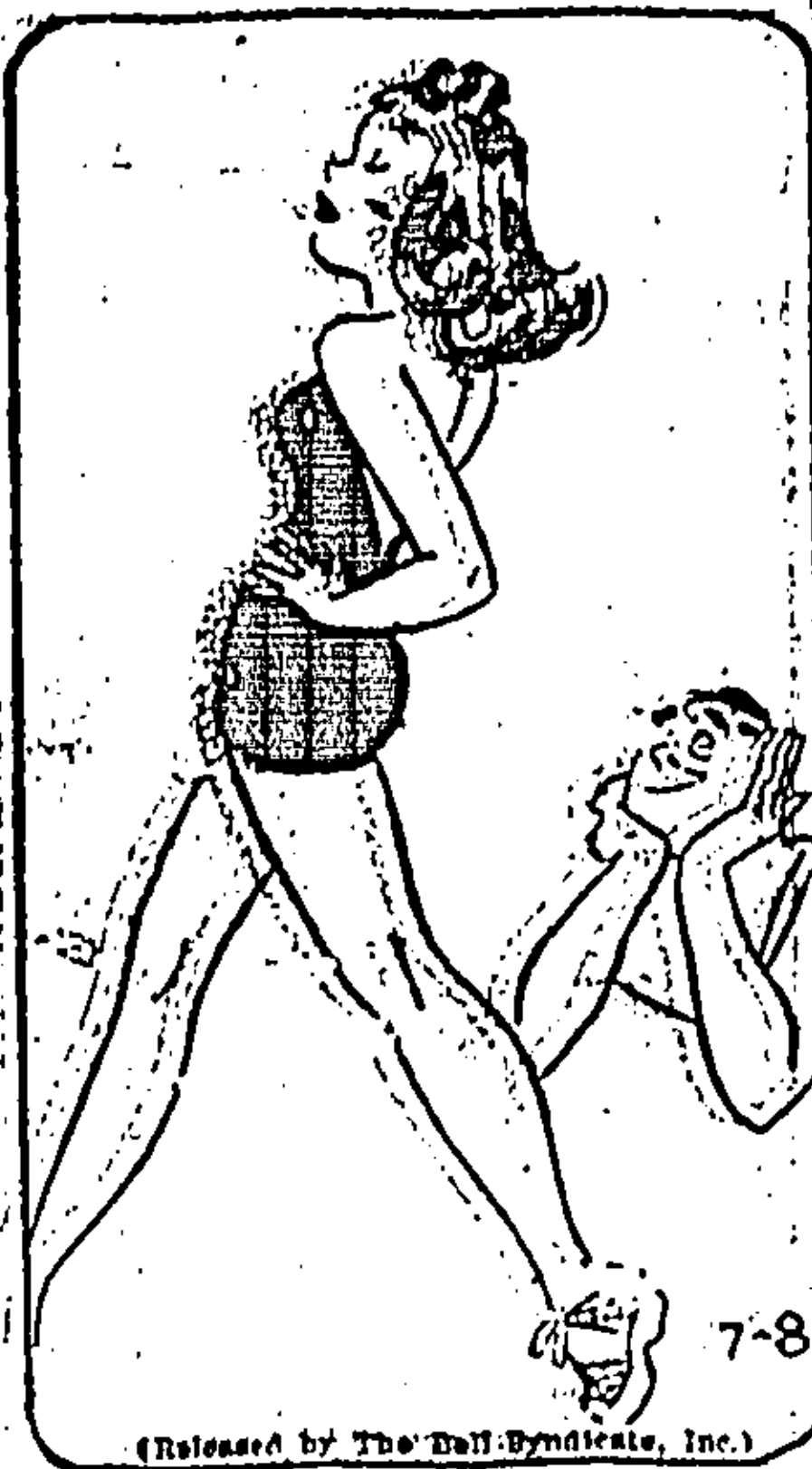
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ROADS CLEAR PLAN DRAFTED

The necessary measures have been prepared, and are now being put into effect to prevent roads being blocked in case of invasion particularly by private motor-cars.

It is not desirable in the national interest, says the Ministry of Home Security, to state precisely what these measures are but the appropriate information is being given to the individuals affected.

The Ministry adds that military plans to repel invasion may be dangerously hampered if roads are blocked.



The new bathing suits may not be any particular asset in a swimming race but they certainly add up when it comes to gate receipts.

MET AGAIN IN MID-CHANNEL

An Elgin soldier, 2nd Lieutenant Donald F. Dean, spent five days in a rowing boat trying to cross the Channel to secure help for his men.

His exploit ended in an unexpected success.

He had to abandon another boat in which his comrades were struggling to get across from St. Valery, in Normandy.

After hours of rowing he sighted land, but found himself back on the French coast.

Crowds of people, despite the fact that the territory was occupied by Germans, threw bread into his little craft and gave him water.

By some act of providence he met his starving comrades in mid-channel and was able to give them adequate supplies.

Both boats reached Folkestone together.

ARMY WANT MOUTH ORGANS

There is a big demand among the troops for mouth organs.

Lieutenant-Colonel B. C. Hartley, chairman of the Services' Musical Instruments Fund, told a reporter that harmonica bands are being formed throughout all the Forces.

"We want the public to help by sending money or a harmonica to the fund's headquarters at 41 Grosvenor Square, W.," he said.

DYING, ABSOLVED HUSBAND

A thirty-three-year-old mother of six children died shortly after admission to Newcastle Infirmary after being wounded through the accidental discharge of her soldier-husband's rifle.

She was Mrs. Jean Annie Saint, of Welbeck Terrace, Pegswood, near Morpeth, Northumberland.

Before losing consciousness, it is understood she made a statement to a doctor absolving her husband.

The husband, Albert William Saint, returned home on short leave to attend his mother-in-law's funeral and was preparing to rejoin his unit when the accident occurred.

His rifle had been loaded on a previous night, when enemy aircraft were reported to have been in the north-east area.

Albert Saint, their 15-year-old son, who was in the kitchen at the time, is said to have told the police that his mother went into the small pantry attached to the kitchen when the rifle which her husband was holding accidentally went off. The bullet had passed through the partly-closed pantry door and wounded her.

BABY'S HOT LITTLE HEAD IS A DANGER SIGNAL

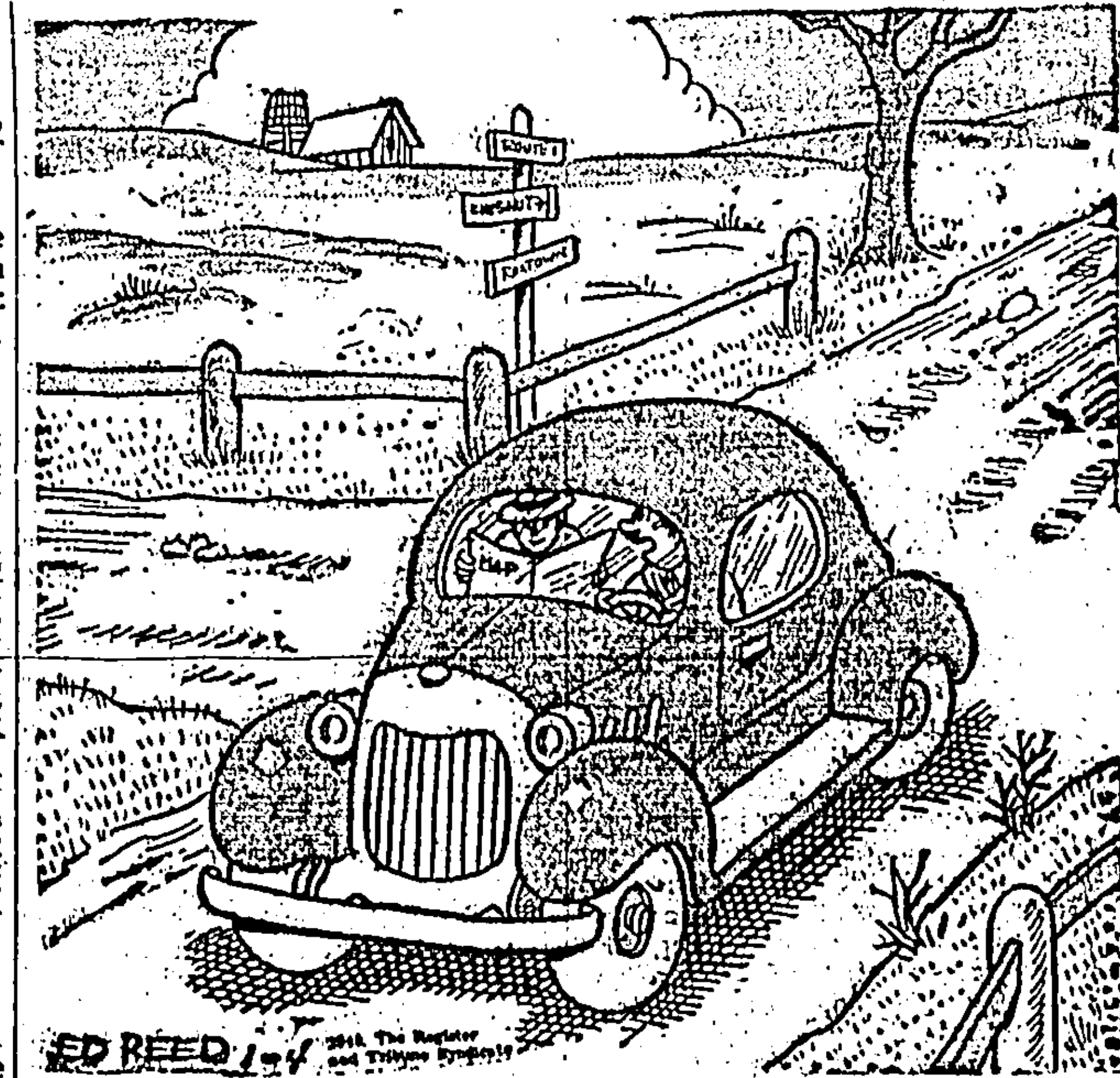
When your baby's head feels hot to your hand you must do something. And do it quickly. Read the case of 5-year old John Talbot of Halifax, England, whose mother writes as follows:

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OFF THE RECORD

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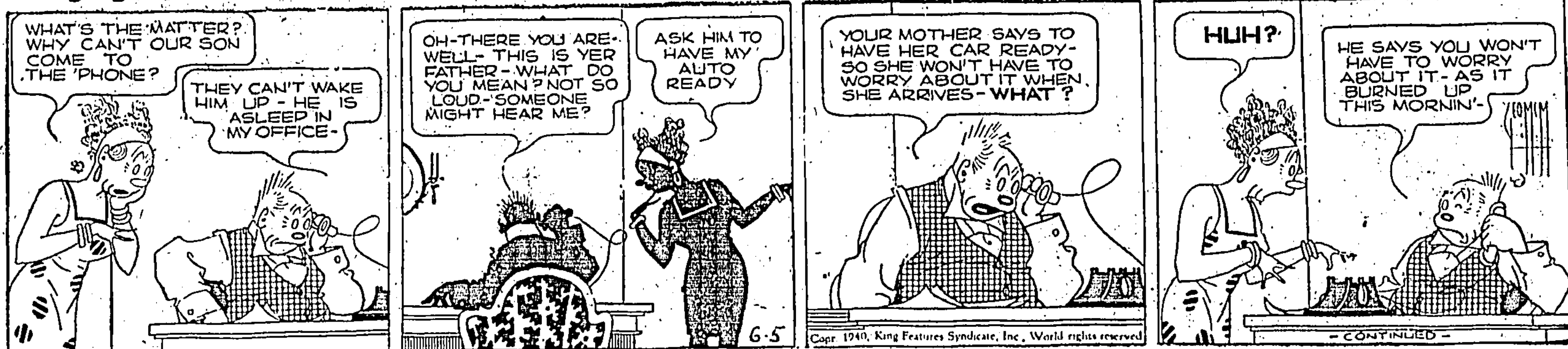
"Aw, let's try the short cut—we've got plenty of time."

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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Care Of Hair

Young girls are inclined to depend too much on nature and its marvellous reconditioning powers when it comes to the care of their hair. They think they can be indifferent to hair health and beauty and still have a glamorous halo. But they are greatly mistaken. Hair beauty depends upon the care you give your head—and the younger one learns that lesson, the better.

The vogue for running around hatless in all weathers is nice and casual, we must admit, but it does take its toll on hair beauty. Hair reacts so quickly to the health condition of the body, to sun and dust, to care or neglect, that young girls should be more diligent in hair grooming than their elders. Once you lose the natural gloss and rich colouring of your hair it is impossible to bring it back. Somehow you rob the hair of vital pigment and natural lubricant and try as you will, you can not restore them.

Streaked, brittle hair does not fit into the devastating glamour scene of this season.

Your first step is a pre-shampoo oil treatment. There are good reconditioning oils on the market for this purpose. Olive oil, or castor oil, heated and applied to your scalp the night previous, are excellent. Others like a formula made of equal parts of eucalyptus and olive oil with a few drops of castor oil. Steam it well into your hair and scalp by wrapping your head in steaming turkish towels. Tie it up for the night and shampoo it thoroughly with a liquid soap shampoo the next day. Rinse very well, and dry pretty much by hand, rather than under a dryer.

Then, my pet, brush it. Brush it until your arms ache. Brush up and away from the scalp, getting every strand of hair. After musing a bit, that you may set it, or go and have a setting WITHOUT lotion, when you bathe.

Oily Skin Kept Lovely

A great deal has been written about the care of the oily skin and most of it applies to one woman or another, who has such a complexion problem, but because the theories are so varied the proverbial Mrs. Jones might easily become confused.

If your skin is oily, a good soap is your best friend. You may wash your skin both morning and night making a lather with the soap and warm water, and rinsing it well with alternate splashings of warm and cold water.

An ordinary skin tonic, or a powder foundation lotion which is astringent, should be sufficient to give your skin a nice mat finish and help to hold your make-up intact.

Because your scalp also tends to be oily you must have frequent shampoos, or scalp cleansings with a tonic, or the oil from your scalp will travel downward and make your face oily, too.

Your Make-Up Problem

When it comes to painting your pretty face—you have a definite problem. First of all, select your powder, your rouge and lipstick



One hundred strokes, twice a day, is ANDREA LEEDS' way of keeping her hair in the pink of condition!

and staying under the dryer not one minute more than is necessary.

Between Shampoos

Scalp massage with your fingers, and hair-brushing sessions must be increased. You should indulge in them every single day and not care a hoop if your wave ting every strand of hair. After musing a bit, that you may set it, or go and have a setting WITHOUT lotion, when you bathe.

Do not use a hot iron to curl your hair. Fuss with curlers instead—using the leather covered ones, preferably to the metal ones, or tie your hair up in rag curlers to get a nice natural effect.

Do not use any brilliantine during this treatment period—or any other preparation on your hair other than a bit of scalp pomade to keep your scalp sufficiently oily.

Shampoo every week as suggested above, and at the end of one month, or six weeks if your hair has been badly neglected. I advise you to have every bit of the old permanent cut off before you have a new curl put in. If your hair is naturally curly simply have it trimmed, or thinned out.

Then from now on, spend time at least twice a week giving your hair twenty minutes of grooming. Of course I assume you will keep brushing it every day, but massage it twice a week and apply a tonic or a scalp pomade if it needs one.

Don't be a silly and lose the beauty of your hair through stupid neglect. In later years you will be so proud of yourself for being sensible for as we grow older we yearn for the hair beauty we once had! No tint on the market can duplicate that rich, individual colour and sheen which young, healthy, well-cared for hair possesses.

self with a smeary mouth. To get just the right one might take a little experimenting but once you find the right lipstick be loyal to it and buy its range of colours. More money and patience can be wasted on lipsticks—and no one person is able to recommend one specific brand for you because lipsticks are very independent—they adhere nicely or not, depending upon the skin chemistry of the lips.

Choosing The Lipstick

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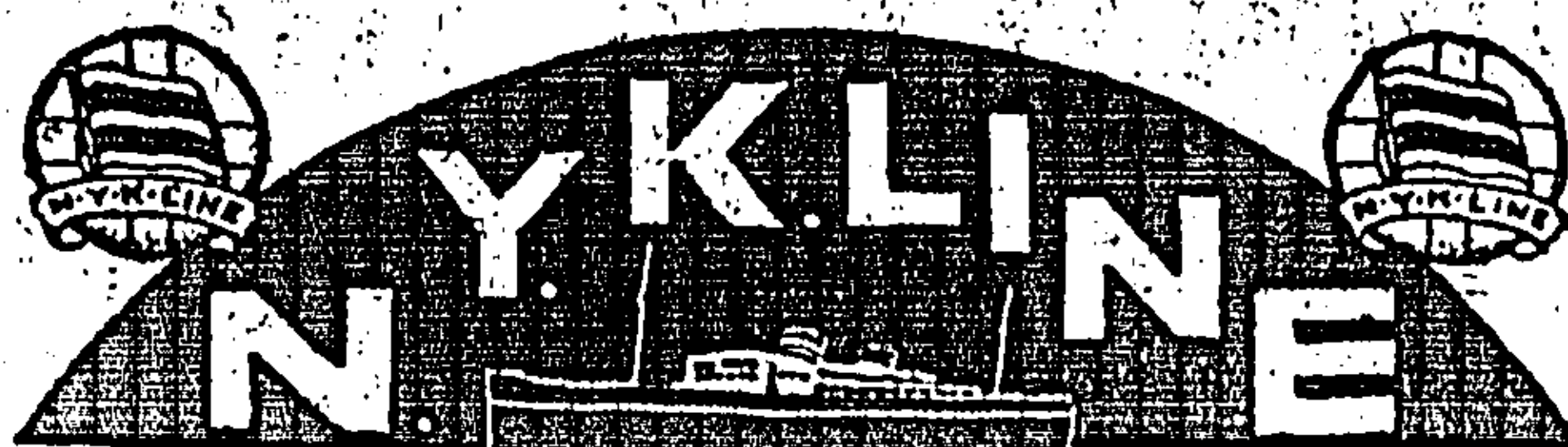
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Sibelius.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Patricia Rosborough and Robinson Cleaver.
1.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Ballet Music. Chicago Symphony Orchestra, State Opera Orchestra and Symphony Orchestra.
6.28 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.30 p.m.—Dance Music by George Elrick and his Swing Music Makers, Jay Wilbur's Band, Juan Llossas, Henry Jacques, Harry Roy, Lecuona Cuban Boys, Ronnie Munro, Teddy Foster, Jack Hylton, and Carroll Gibbons.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
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8.30 p.m.—Orchestral Concert. Philharmonic Orchestra, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and British Symphony Orchestra, with Dennis Noble.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Matters of Moment.
9.45 p.m.—Rachmaninoff Rhapsody.
10.10 p.m.—Operatic Duets. Gilgi and De Luca, and Pampanili and Borgioli.
10.25 p.m.—Violin Solos, by Gulla Bustabo and Renee Chemet.
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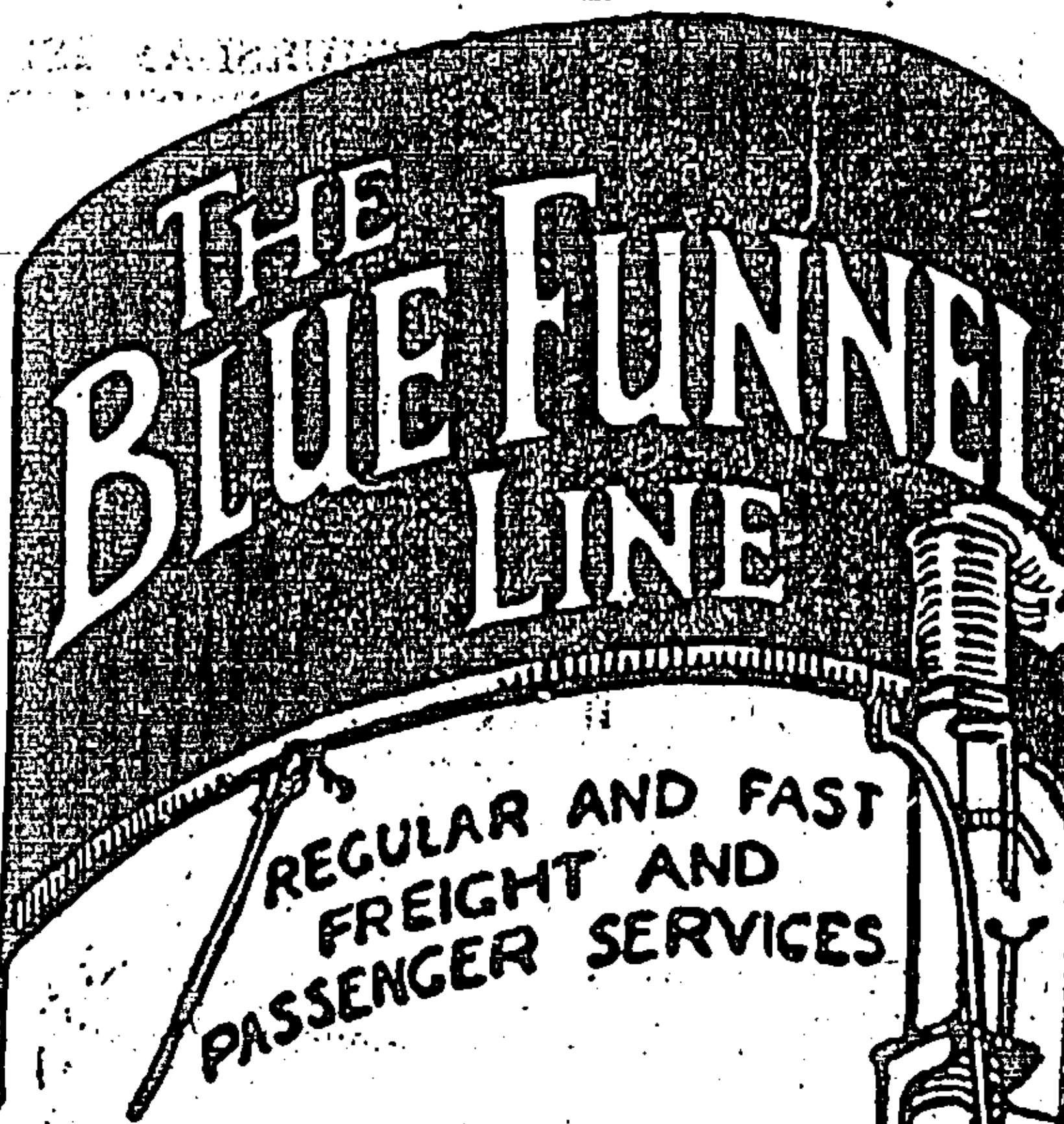
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QUALITY OF THE R.A.F. WRITTEN INTO LEGEND

THE NEW YORK "TIMES" in an article entitled "The Royal Air Force," says the extraordinary feature of the titanic air battle over Britain is that it has failed to demonstrate the overwhelming superiority of the luftwaffe that everybody took for granted.

Although Axis officials continue to minimise the effects of British raids, the order forbidding letters from the Ruhr district to be sent to other parts of Germany suggests that grave damage may have been inflicted in that great industrial valley forge of the Nazi war machine.

During these crucial days the quality of the R.A.F. has been written in great legend, this time not on earth and water but in the sky.

The "Herald-Tribune" says it is striking that after a week of intensive pounding, the British cables all speak in a tone of confidence, even elation, while there is exaggeration and confusion in the febrile propaganda being given out by the Nazis, which might possibly imply uncertainty over what to do next.

Between the two sets of statistics, as to plane losses, it is impossible not to feel much greater confidence in British

claims if only because the Germans are obviously claiming too much.

Something New !

For a defender over his own ground to suffer four or five times the casualties sustained by the offence is against all reason.

The week of lightning war has produced no lightning results.

The Hitler war machine has run for the first time into opposition that is tough and strong. A citadel which is not to be taken by treachery and cannot be over-run by tanks, which can trade blow by blow in the air, this is something new.—Reuter.

THE DUTY OF THE CITIZEN IN WAR

By BRITANNICUS

The threat of invasion caused many people in Great Britain to clamour for advice on the rights and duties of civilians when war comes close to their homes. Must we remain passive if the invader arrives, they asked, or may we use what weapons and strategem we can to repel him?

In a series of instructions the Government have answers on this point and that. But the cardinal principles may perhaps have been clouded by the details of the advice. The citizen's duty, be he man, woman or child, is four-fold: (1) To join whatever organisation for defence or national service he may be fitted for, before the emergency happens, and to get all the training he can; (2) To obey the authorities of his own country, civil or military; (3) To do nothing to aid the enemy; (4) To do everything in his power to repel the enemy.

Franc-Tireur Red Herring

The problem of the franc-tireur is a red herring across the trail of civilian duty. According to the laws of war, civilians not in recognisable uniforms are forbidden to use arms against their enemy behind his lines in territory which he has occupied. If they do so, they are franc-tireurs liable to be shot on capture. So long as a citizen is repelling the enemy's advance, instead of harassing his rear, he is no franc-tireur.

The citizen has not only the right to fight against his country's invader; he has the duty to do so. In common law it is the duty of every citizen to assist the authorities to prevent the commission of crime, acting alone if need be, and to use such force as may be necessary for the purpose. This rule must also be applied to invasion.

But there is another reason why we should not be distracted by the franc-tireur red-herring. The so-called laws of war were written down and codified, when wars were conflicts between rulers, not peoples—the kind of war that Marshal Petain must have had in his reminiscent mind when he sought "an honourable peace as between soldiers." To-day, war is totalitarian, and no citizen can let it flow past him as the villagers of 1814 or 1870 or even, to some extent, 1914, let the military action flow past their ordinary lives.

Germany Versus Everyman

The war that Nazi Germany makes is war against every citizen. It is not merely territory that the Nazis lust after, nor merely the overthrow of hostile Governments: it is the mastery of the life of every citizen. They demand the soul as well as the body of any nation in their power. If they were to conquer, every citizen and every home would feel the horrors of their rule. Every citizen therefore

MAORI TROOPS SQUAT TO HEAR ADDRESS BY 'CHIEF'

Maori troops, inspected by Mr. W. J. Jordan, New Zealand High Commissioner, greeted him with a smart general salute instead of their famous war-cry.

When Mr. Jordan addressed them in their camp somewhere in England they laid down their rifles and bayonets and squatted on the grass, the custom when Maoris are addressed by a chief. Mr. Jordan served as a sergeant-major in the last war.

has a duty to himself and to his country, to fight and strive to repel the invader.

This fact throws into relief the other three parts of the citizen's duty: passive resistance, obedience to his own authorities, and enrolment in organisations for national service. If the invader comes, the civilian must "stay put," both because the authorities have told him to do so and because that is the best way of resisting the enemy.

Few civilians in the British Empire see the enemy more closely than the shape of his aeroplanes. Yet the duty to share in resistance by being prepared is a duty that extends throughout each country at war. Every citizen has his duty: it may be a duty to join the armed forces, or it may be a duty not to join the armed forces but to stay in some occupation—agriculture, munition-making, civil Government, for instance—where he can make his best contribution to the common effort. It may be only the humdrum duty to work hard and save money. But a duty it is, as certain and as imperative as the duty of the soldier in the front line. This is a citizen's war. It is the duty of the citizen to help win it.

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Portugal Lucky To Beat Britain In Close Baseball Encounter On Sunday

BRITISHERS IMPROVE AFTER POOR START

By "Grandstand"

BASEBALL FANS, WHO were disappointed in not seeing the Hong Kong Brewers and the Mindanao squad battle in another play-off last Saturday on account of rain, were well compensated on Sunday when two interesting tilts were dished out.

In the opener of a double bill Portugal were more than lucky to nose out Great Britain in a 7-6 count. After two listless frames the Britishers tightened up to hold the Portuguese down for five innings and it was only a costly muff by Denham Cray and a wild pitch by chucker Dave Leonard that gave the game away in the final canto.

The Portuguese supporters were, of course, delighted to see their team snatch a victory, but were somewhat disappointed in their miserable showing. The Portuguese aggregation were expected to down the British lads in a one-sided encounter but to the surprise of all, they did not deliver the goods that were expected of them.

The score-book summary shows very clearly how lucky Portugal were to get further into the International pennant race at the expense of the Lions. "Spotty" Pereira went great guns on the mound with nine strike-outs and one walk, but allowed seven blows, while Dave Leonard conceded five hits and three Annie Oakleys. Only one run was earned off Dave Leonard and two off "Spotty." Errors were evenly divided—five apiece.

Costly Errors

Moundsman "Spotty" Pereira and hind-satcher Mike Mendonca were the guilty ones for Portugal. "Spotty's" two wild heaves to the keystone bag cost his team two runs, while Mike Mendonca was responsible for three tallies on three miscues and one passed ball. Portugal will have to do much better both on the field and with the bat if they expect to put up a stiff fight in the final against the winner of the U.S.A.-China game.

Both teams were blanked in the first canto. In the second Britain were again blanked. Coming to bat in the second stanza "Spotty" Pereira worked Dave Leonard for a walk to start the turnstile turning for a six-run rally. "Spotty" proceeded to pilfer second, and reached third on a wild pitch. At the crack of Nick Beltrao's bat "Spotty" tore for home and was safe when the Britishers elected to make the play at home-plate instead of the initial station to nail Beltrao. Beltrao stole the mid-station and tallied on Bertie Gosano's triple to left field, Gerry Gosano grounded to third base, but in his haste to throw the pellet out at the hot corner in an attempt to dispose of Bertie Gosano,

Pat Jorge threw wild and Bertie crossed the pan for the third Portuguese run.

Perfect Bunt

Mike Mendonca's foul fly was for the first out. George Souza was given a free trip to the initial sack and Gerry Gosano scored on another wild throw by Pat Jorge. Tony Alves laid a perfect bunt to score Souza. A. V. Gosano doubled to score Tony Alves but was out at the hot corner in an attempt to steal. Zinho Gosano singled and rounded both second and third on a double steal. "Spotty" Pereira who came to bat for the second time in the same inning fled to right-fielder Gillespie to end a long inning. Both teams were blanked again in the third stanza.

Britain came to life in the fourth with three runs on two hits and two Portuguese errors. With two away Dave Leonard was walked and stole second and third. Pat Jorge's timely bingle to centre-field brought Dave in. In an attempt to catch Pat Jorge napping at second base, "Spotty" Pereira made a wild throw and Jorge scored on the error. Denham Cray beat a bunt and scored on Mike Mendonca's wild peg to the second cushion. The score now was 6-3 in favour of Portugal.

G. B. Catch Up

In the fifth canto Great Britain evened up with the enemy with three more tallies. Heath fled to left field for the first out, Gillespie tripled and scored on Mike Mendonca's fumble at the plate, while Fox reached first base on a fielder's choice. Fox counted when "Spotty" Pereira made another wild throw to second base. Foley whiffed for the second out. Dave Leonard struck out but Mike Mendonca could not hang on to the olive and the ball touched the grandstand for a passed ball.

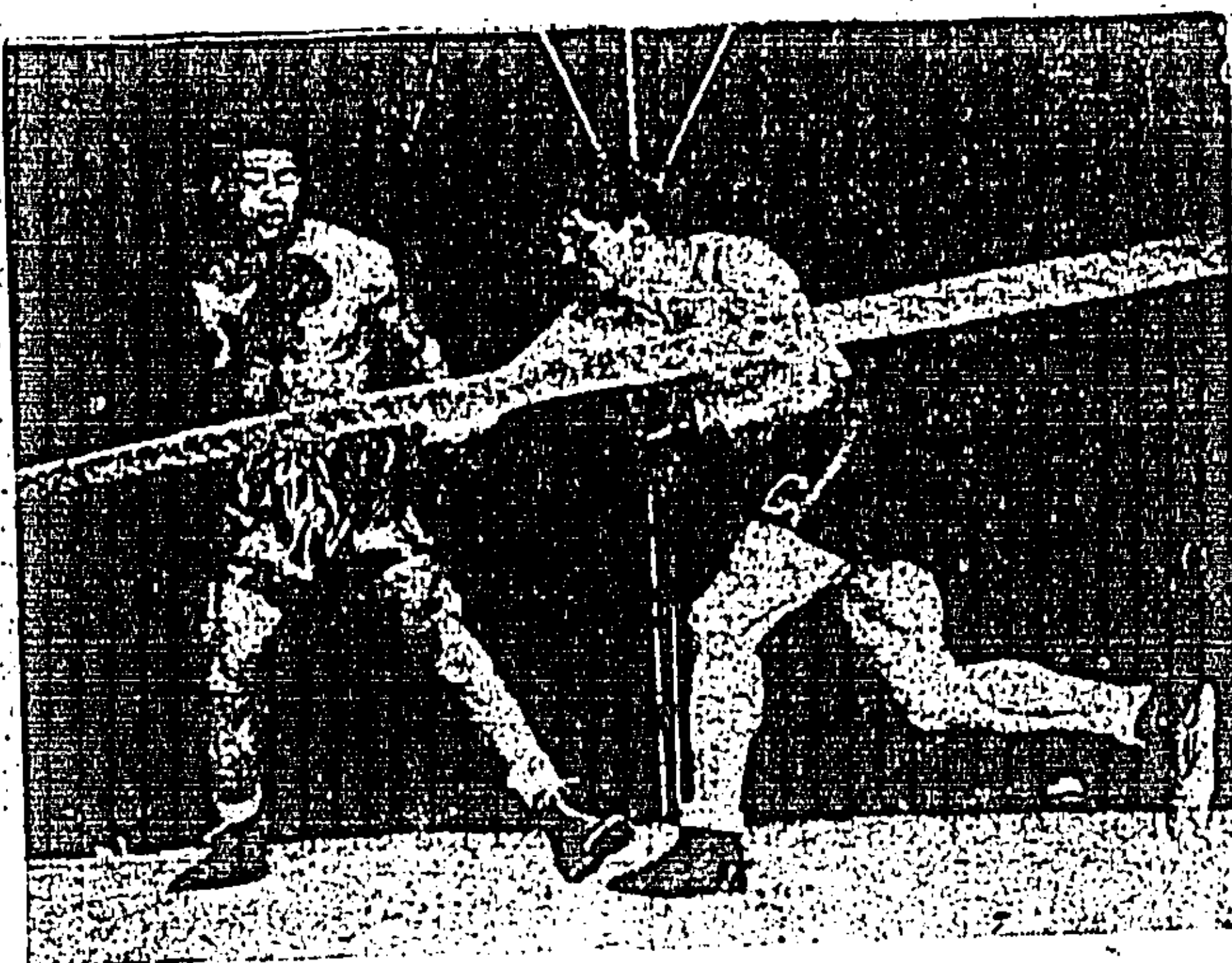
A three-bagger by Pat Jorge brought Dave Leonard in to knot the score, 6-6. Den Cray fanned the breeze to retire the chapter. Great Britain failed to score in the sixth and seventh innings. Portugal, who had last bats, opened in the last frame with Tony Alves striking out. With two away Zinho Gosano smashed a hard drive to short-stop and Denham Cray muffed the ball. Pereira, hit by the pitcher, was followed by Beltrao, who walked. Bases loaded and Mike Mendonca at bat. The Portuguese side of the Grandstand went wild clamouring for Mike to make a hit. Mike let the first pitch go by for a ball. Dave Leonard toed the rubber once more and let go with a hard one which went wild, so wild that "Honest Tom" Fox could not gather even with a step ladder. Zinho Gosano walked home with the winning run to end the game.

R. H. E.

Portugal	0	0	0	0	1	7	5	5
G. Britain	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	6

Close Struggle

In a friendly game J.S.S. Tulsa and China fought for seven full innings in a ding-dong struggle which ended in a 3-3 tie. Wally Ching, who went the full



A shot from the Louis-Godoy fight which opens at the King's on Friday.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

ARMY NOT ENTERING H.K. CRICKET LEAGUE

By "Squaddy"

SEVERAL important decisions out who are worthy of their place in representative sides. were made at the Annual General Meeting of the Army Cricket Committee held last week.

Most important was that Army would not enter a team in the Hong Kong Cricket League this season.

The Large and Small Units knock out competitions will be held towards the end of the season, allowing the first half of the season for friendly matches.

The Hon. Secretary of Army Cricket suggested that Net Practice should be introduced. The question as to which sites would be of the most practical use produced the two alternative suggestions of Murray Parade ground and a site immediately in front of Command Headquarters, Victoria Barracks.

The Rev. H. W. Todd suggested that a professional bowler, if one were available, be at the practice nets for the benefit of the players who used them. Rev. Todd said he was willing to pay for his services, which I think is a very generous offer.

It is whispered that Major A. V. Petri, who is in charge of Army cricket now, has many ideas to improve the standard of cricket in the Army and is going to introduce many new players into the game.

Chief trouble with cricket in the Army is that it is very difficult to get players together owing to scattered dispositions of Units, and it is very hard to find

route on the slab for China, was in tip-top form, striking out seven Tulsamen and walking three. Lefty Stockton whiffed three and walked one.

Tulsa was first to break the ice in the second frame. Douglas walked and was chased in by Tony Mascavage's single to left field. China evened the count in the third when Bill Chang stole home after he had singled and was advanced to third on two sacrifices. In the sixth Tulsa scored two more runs to take the lead. Rabacchi and Peterson tallied on three hits. China scored one more run in the same inning when Lee came in on a hit and dump by Al Lau.

In the last inning China tied the score when Wally Ching came tearing for home when third-sacker Guinn muffed a throw from catcher Tony Mascavage. In a desperate attempt to push across the winning run Bill Chang whiffed for the first out. Choy was caught between third and home for the second out and Nip Lum struck out to end the game.

R. H. E.

Tulsa	0	1	0	0	2	0	3	6	3
China	0	0	1	0	1	1	3	6	2

THRILLING FIGHT PICTURE

Twenty minutes packed with thrills is Warner Brothers sports short of the Joe Louis-Arturo Godoy fight, which took place in New York on June 20. The picture was previewed at King's Theatre this morning and will be shown in conjunction with "On Your Toes" starting at the King's on Friday.

The camera reveals the amazing pluck and determination of South American Godoy; it also reveals a surprising lack of experience. The challenger persisted in in-fighting tactics, at which Louis is adept, and laid himself open to the barrage of short-arm jabs with which the champion scored repeatedly; he insisted on rising immediately after a knock-down, instead of taking advantage of the respite to attempt to recover, and having risen, rushed bald-headed into the fray again instead of attempting to hold Louis off.

Nevertheless, Godoy remained on the offensive for six of the eight rounds, landing some good blows to the head and body. About half-way through the seventh, Louis reduced his opponent to impotency, landing a series of right hooks to the head for which Godoy had no answer, finally forcing him to the canvas to save himself further punishment.

The eighth round saw Godoy leave his corner, apparently recovered, but once again Louis adopted the initiative and pounded him to the canvas twice, the referee stopping the fight on the second occasion.

Godoy protested strongly, as did his seconds, and the police had to enter the ring to prevent further trouble.

Godoy put up a very good show but the cool, mechanical efficiency of Louis gave him little chance of winning.—N. M.

BOWLS TEAMS

Following teams have been selected to play in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:—

H.K.F.C.
First Division (v C.S.C.C. Away)—A. B. Didsbury, A. W. Hodges, W. Gill and G. Duncan (Skip); J. I. Barnes, J. H. Gelling, L. E. Lammert and K. S. Robertson (Skip); A. Brooks-bank, D. W. Phillips, H. G. Wallington and N. J. Bebbington (Skip).
Third Division (v H.K.E.R.C. Home)—A. Watson, B. A. Mansell, G. E. Stephen and G. S. Groves (Skip); H. H. Beddow, C. G. Solles, C. F. Needham and E. L. Strange (Skip); A. G. Grat-tan, F. Ellipance, S. H. Strange and R. R. Wood (Skip).
I.R.C.

First Division (v C.C.C. Away)—D. M. Khan, K. M. Rumjahn, A. M. Rumjahn and M. R. Abbas (Skip); J. Hoosen, A. K. Sufiad, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu (Skip); A. H. Rumjahn, S. Yusuf, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah (Skip).

Third Division (v K.B.G.C. Home)—M. U. Razack, M. B. Hassan, A. S. Sufiad and S. M. Rumjahn (Skip); S. M. Sadiek, M. Hassan, U. A. Rumjahn and A. H. Madar (Skip); J. M. A. Ramjahn, M. P. Madar, A. G. Sufiad and A. Bakar (Skip).

form.

AT last the Water Polo competition is under way, and last Saturday in the

Large Units knock out, Middlesex beat the 5th A.A. R.A. by the odd goal in five.

The game was not up to expectations and Middlesex were very lucky to win. Royal Scots were given a walk-over by Royal Engineers, which places the Middlesex and Royal Scots in the Semi-Final.

In the Departmental Corps League R.A.S.C. beat R.A.M.C. by 3 goals to 2. The winning goal was scored in the last ado or three seconds by Andrews, who scored all three for the Service Corps.

In a friendly match on Monday evening Hong Kong Signal Company beat Royal Scots by 5 goals to 2.

An innovation is being made on Thursday, August 29, by the Army, who will run an invitation water polo five-a-side, knock out competition at the Army Swimming pool. So far 11 teams have entered but there may be one or two civilian teams also entering.

Royal Corps of Signals are a strong favourites for this competition.

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Learning To Swim The Butterfly Stroke

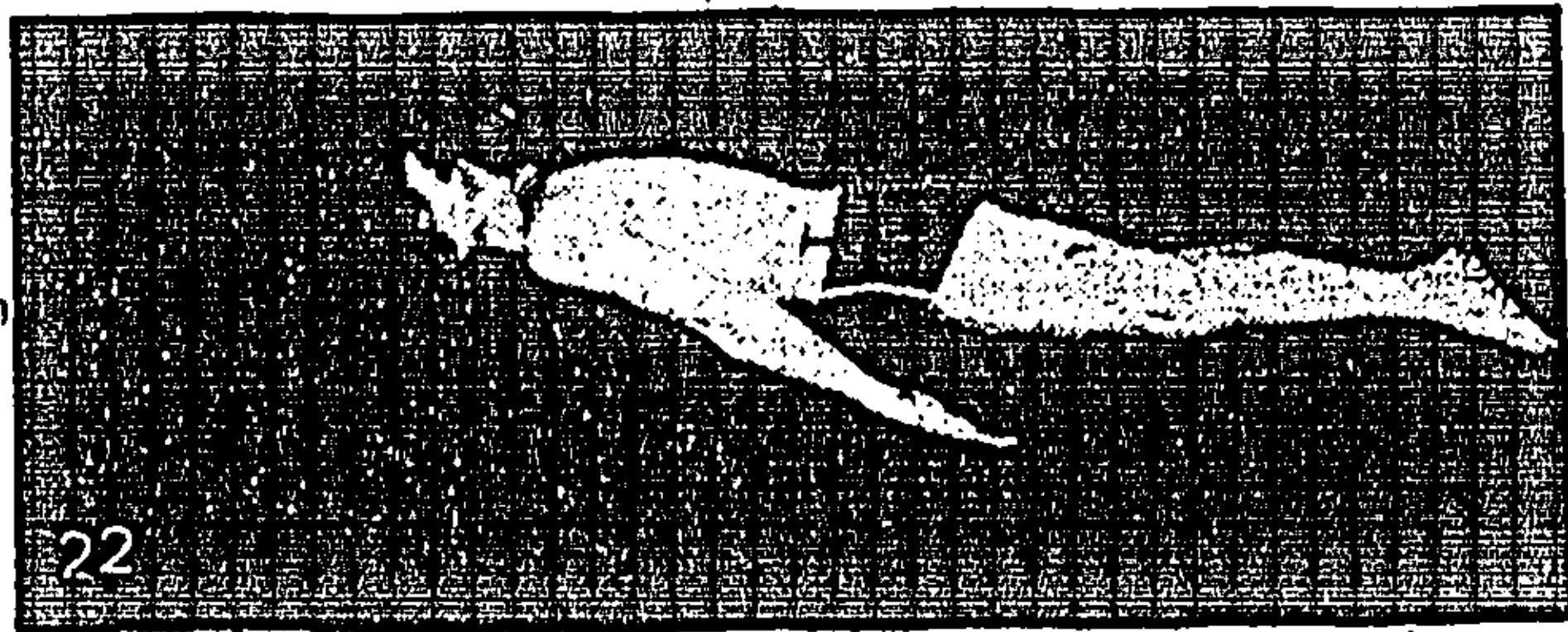
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Co-Author With Harold S. Ulen of
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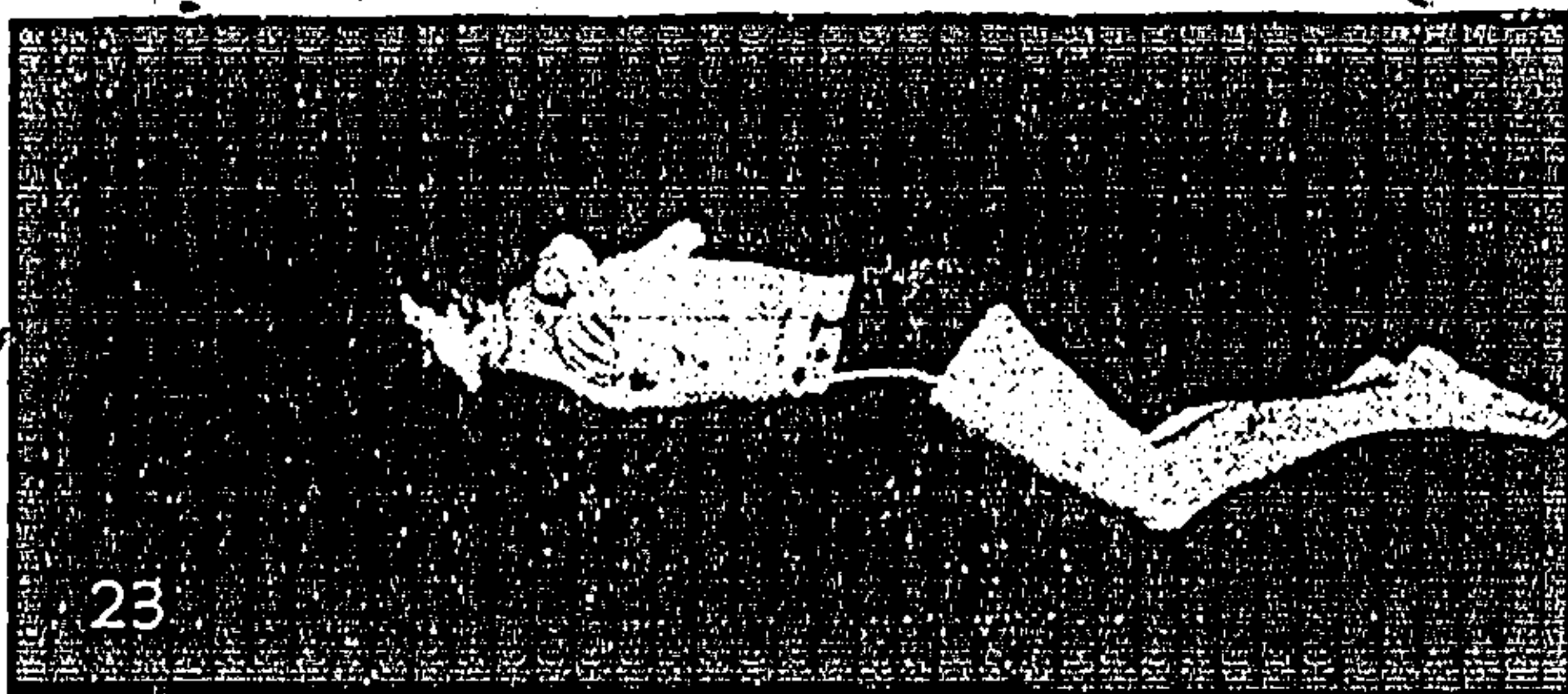
(This is the eighth of a series of 12 articles which appeared in the "Christian Science Monitor.")

"THE BUTTERFLY IS an experimental stroke, and the question whether it can be adapted to popular use cannot easily be answered. At present it seems too strenuous for the average swimmer, although it shows evidences of gaining popularity. After all, man had the same difficulty with the crawl in its early days."

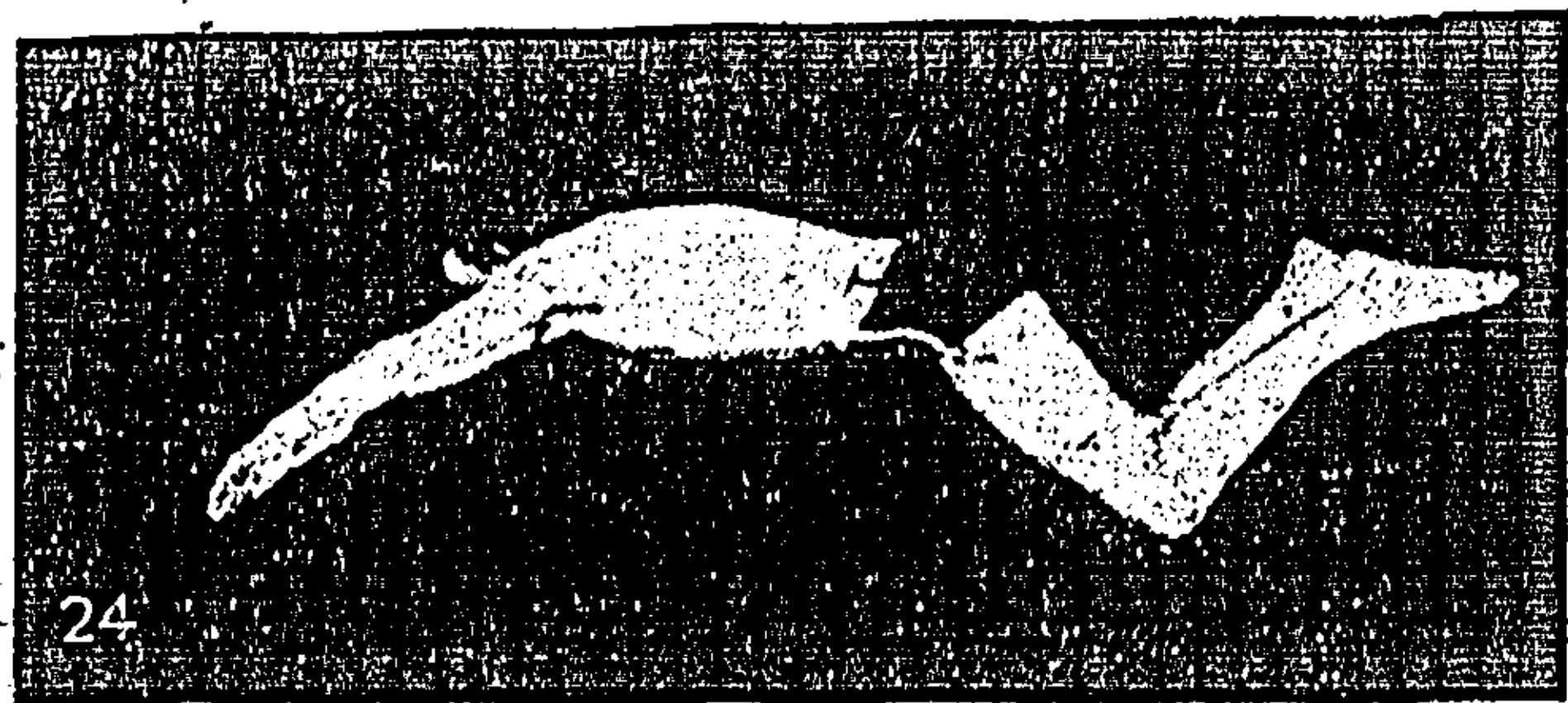
This is an overarm breast-stroke, the recent discovery of competitors anxious for greater speed. What is more logical than that a speeding swimmer, impatient at the measured underwater recovery of the arms in the orthodox breast-stroke should whip his arms from the water at the end of the arm pull and forward through the air. A longer, harder pull and a faster stroking of the arms and legs results. Yet there are losses as well as gains in the change. The graceful, leisurely qualities of the old stroke are missing; and although some boys can cover a mile easily with the butterfly, for many people, it involves at the outset considerable strain. It is worth trying because in the first place its mechanics come easily to some, frequently to crawl stroke. Furthermore, it is an experimental stroke, with its form still to be perfected, and the learner does not have to be too particular. Half the fun of swimming is to be able to take a new stroke and do a little self-initiated research into various techniques. In this case the swimmer is invited to essay various co-ordinations between arms and legs, variations in the pull and the kick. For those interested in competition, however, it should be emphasized that the breast-stroke is carefully defined in the rule books, and the butterfly must conform to the restrictions there established.



Although various ways of swimming the butterfly are in stroke, there is no glide. The point common use by good breast-stroke swimmers, the co-ordination described in Figure 22. A strong pull combined with a solid whip of the legs has just been concluded.



But the arms immediately revolution. A study of 22, 23 and 24 will show the legs trailing the hips and are swung far forward (23 and 24). It is as if the pull (from 24 to 22) and the recovery (from 22 to 24) were one continuous re-



In Figure 24 is shown how the arms have just established a "grip" on the water, that is, have begun to pull, with the leg recovery about to be completed. Now when the arm pull is at its strongest point—just beneath the shoulders—a backward thrust-squeeze of the legs will be made. The combination of the arm and leg movements will lift the body over the surface with a great rush. Breath is taken in about position 23 or a little before, and is released during the underwater pull. The kick is narrower, a short, hard whiplash motion. The knees should be bent no more than is necessary to permit a powerful kick; they should be drawn up into position 24 with the least possible resistance, "floated" into position for the kick, as some swimmers put it. Probably the best instruction to be given those who would master the butterfly is to "try it." Swimming the orthodox breast-stroke, it is possible to intersperse an overarm recovery by continuing the ordinary arm pull back to the hips then whipping the arms forward out of the water. This is how many will gradually learn the butterfly. Others can push off from the bottom or from the side of a float or pool in the glide position and with a strong, full pull of the arms back to the hips try to bring them to the forward position with a double overarm recovery. The legs need not be used in the first few attempts. If it at first seems to be more of a freak stroke than anything else, a little practice will reveal its possibilities. Whether it can be developed into something worthwhile depends upon the swimmer's persistence and ingenuity. (Photographs and quotations are from "The Complete Swimmer," published by the MacMillan Company of New York.)

ATHLETICS

UNIVERSITY COACH TAKES HONOURS FOR 1940 SEASON

Skilful Work Wins Glowing Tributes

THE BIG STORY OF this year's Pacific Coast track and field meets concerns, not an athlete, writes an American correspondent, but Bill Ellington—head track coach of the Stanford team for 1940.

Nationally unknown until the middle of this season, the veteran Ellington, by his skilful handling of his small but classy group, has won a place for himself among the greatest coaches of the United States.

What makes the story all the more interesting is the fact that but for a peculiar combination of circumstances he still would be nationally unknown.

At the end of the 1939 season the Stanford board of Athletic Control decided not to renew the contract with its head track coach, R. L. Templeton and engaged Franklin P. Johnson of Drake University to take his place. However, Johnson's contract at Drake had one more year to run so the Stanford Board appointed Ellington (coach of the freshman team for 13 years) to take charge of the varsity squad for 1940.

He Went To Work Quietly

To many observers the prospects for the 1940 Stanford track team were not encouraging. However, optimistic Ellington did not entertain this pessimistic viewpoint. This California-born coach laid the foundation quietly, but soundly during the 1939 fall training period and when the season opened in March, Ellington's boys were well prepared.

On March 9, Ellington created a mild sensation by announcing that a quartet of Stanford boys would try to lower the one-mile world relay record at Long Beach in March 16. Considering that three of the group had never, in previous season run under 48s., his statement was not taken very seriously and there was little surprise when the boys failed by 3.4s. However, Clyde Jeffrey brought athletic honour to himself and his coach by winning the 100 yards in 9.4s., to tie the world record of Frank Wykoff and Jesse Owens. On March 23 Stanford defeated the U. of California in their dual Relay meet and in the two-mile relay the Stanford team of Burman Skrabble, Marston Girard, Jack Moore and Paul Moore ran the distance in 7:37.7 to establish a new intercollegiate record for this event.

In the meet against California at Los Angeles on April 13, the Stanford mile-relay quartet brought to Ellington the one thing most desired by every track coach—a world record. Charley Shaw ran the first 440 in 47.5, Ernie Clark the second in 48.3, Craig Williamson the third in 47.4, and Clyde Jeffrey sped through the anchor lap in 47.5 for a new world record of 3:10.5—one and one-tenth seconds under the U. of Southern California record made in 1936.

His Predictions Taken Seriously

By now any prediction made by Ellington was taken seriously and when he stated that Paul Moore would break the world record for the three-quarter mile in the meet against San Jose State, his announcement was treated with respect. Moore and his teammate, Marston Girard, planned to run the first 440 in 57; the second in 60; and the third in 62. Actually they ran 57.7; 60.3; and 60.7 for a new record of 2:58.7. Although only Moore will get credit for the record, Girard with a time of 3m. was under the old figures.

Next came the annual Big Meet with the U. of California and Ellington and his boys reversed the Stanford defeat of 1939 with a splendid victory of 80½ points to U.C.'s 50½.

The next meet on the schedule was with Southern California in the Coliseum at Los Angeles. U.S.C.—the greatest college team in the Nation for a number of years as usual placed a strong team in the field and because of this, and the splendid pre-meet performances of Stanford, there were 13,400 paid admissions in the Coliseum to see the meet. Stanford made a gallant attempt

TENNIS WASHED OUT

Rain washed out all Tennis League matches yesterday.

BASEBALL SHORT AT QUEEN'S

Baseball enthusiasts will be interested to learn that R.K.O. Radio Pictures of China, Inc., have an exceptional short subject on baseball entitled "Pennant Chasers," showing with "Primrose Path" at the Queen's Theatre this week-end.

"Pennant Chasers" should be of particular interest to players and followers of baseball alike.

WON BY A PUTT

In the play-off for the Canadian Open Golf Championship title at Toronto yesterday, Snead beat McSpaden by one stroke, Snead turning in a card of 71 to McSpaden's 72. McSpaden missed a two-foot putt for an equal 71 at the eighteenth hole.—Reuter.

to win and captured nine first places out of a possible 15. However, this was not enough to outpoint the numerically stronger U.S.C. team who, because of more second and third placings, were able to win the meet.

Two Teams Meet Again

Later in the month the two teams met again, in the West Coast Relays at Fresno, and this time Stanford succeeded in defeating its formidable rival. This made the score one win each with the next meeting scheduled for the Pacific Coast Conference championship meet at Los Angeles. Once again Stanford captured more first places but the second and third placings won for U.S.C.—54 to 53.

After the meet the coaches of the Pacific Coast Conference paid Bill Ellington a well-merited tribute by appointing him head coach of the P.C.C. team in the meet against the Big Ten. Modestly, Ellington gives all credit for Stanford's success this season to the marvellous team spirit and a wonderful leader—Clyde Jeffrey.

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

"THE FRANCE OF to-morrow will be at the same time very new and very old," Marshal Petain told American newspapermen at Vichy yesterday.

He added: "France will again become an essentially agricultural nation, she will restore her age-long handicraft traditions, her whole production will be imbued with the elegance and delicacy in which she was unrivalled.

"She will remain the fatherland of fine arts, high culture and disinterested research. She will revalorise the great prin-

ciples of Christian morals which formed the solid basis of our civilisation.

"She will firmly abide by our high ideal which coincides with the ideal of the great American Democracy based on respect for human personality, family worship, and love of justice.

"She will endeavour to develop all sorts of relations with both Anglo-Saxon and Latin America."

Marshal Petain expressed France's unswerving friendship with the Americas and expressed profound gratitude for American generosity towards French refugees and concluded by expressing faith in France's rapid recovery.—Havas.

PURGE OF FACORIES IN JAPAN

The Japanese Government has decided to eliminate 600 out of 1,006 machine-tool manufacturing plants, the Tokyo "Asahi" reports.

State subsidies and other financial aid are among measures planned by the Government for machine-tool factories surviving the purge.

The "Asahi" recalls that after the outbreak of the China war, machine-tool plants sprang up like mushrooms, mostly so poorly equipped that they were hardly able to turn out precision instruments required by the army and navy.

The new measures are expected to effect radical improvements in the whole industry.—Havas.

EVADING ECONOMIC CONTROL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Japanese police have handled over 480,000 cases of violation or evasion of economic control measures taken two years ago by the Government, says the Tokyo press. Majority of cases involve the export of materials to the continent where control measures do not apply.—Havas.



Picture taken the other day of Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret in the garden of the country residence where they are staying during the War. Their greatest pleasure is the occasional visits of the King and Queen. In view of the need for saving petrol Their Royal Highnesses' pony cart has been brought into use. (Copyright, Fox).

CHUNGKING SUFFERS SEVERELY

The Japanese lost four planes during the air raid over Chungking yesterday.

Three of them were brought down while bombing over the city while the fourth which was heavily damaged, crashed after wobbling its way to Liushuan, in eastern Hupeh. Three Japanese airmen baled out by parachute and were taken prisoner.

Yesterday's raid was severe. No fewer than 170 Japanese machines in five waves engaged in the attack. Tons of incendiary and demolition explosives were rained indiscriminately over the residential and business sections.

The downtown district was virtually turned into an inferno. Blocks of houses were enveloped in fire and smoke.

A Central News reporter who went out to make an inspection after the "all clear" was given failed to pass through at many points because of the raging fires or tons of ruins blocking the way. Only after picking his way slowly and warily for three hours did he complete a rough survey.

Pathetic Sights

Pathetic sights of refugees picking their way under the pall of fire and smoke were seen on the streets. Most of them had lost all their belongings and some even their dear ones.

No detailed figures of loss of lives and property are yet available. Casualties are estimated at several hundred and homeless refugees at 10,000.

Foreign property damaged included the Y.M.C.A., Canadian Mission Hospital, and many missionary buildings.

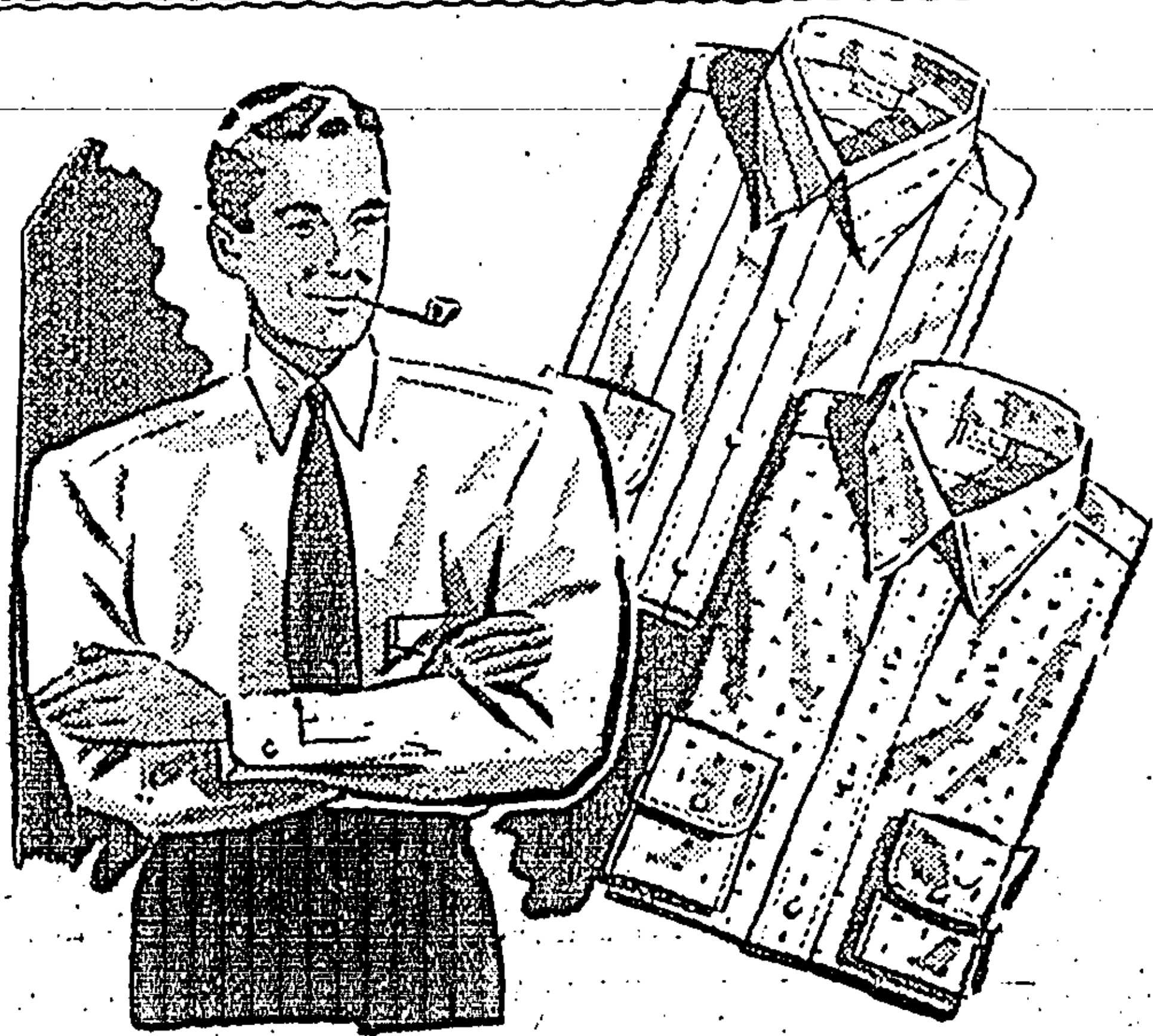
Shortly after the raid, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek accompanied by a small retinue visited the bombed areas and comforted the refugees. He ordered an additional appropriation of \$1,000,000 to relieve the large number of homeless and destitute refugees as a result of the Japanese wanton air attacks on Chungking in the last few days.

The rescue corps, fire brigades and police and gendarmes worked frantically. As evening fell, tongues of flames were still rising from various parts of the city.—Central News.

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